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Maier Removed From Chairmanship

Just Cause, Peone Says

by Lorenz Firsching
FULCRUM News Editor

Wednesday, November 25, President Sigmund A. Smith officially removed Lawrence Maier from the position of chairman of the Chemical Technology Department. Maier remains on campus as an instructor in the department.

Dr. Joseph Peone, Dean of the Technologies Division, said that the appointment as department chairman was subject to review and could be terminated by the President at any time.

Peone said that he felt there was sufficient reason to remove Maier, but that he could give no detailed information while a grievance had been filed by Maier. Peone denied that Maier was removed because of personality conflicts.

Peone said that he had received statements from members of the Chemical Technology Department indicating dissatisfaction with Maier's performances as chairman. Peone added that he saw no question about Maier's ability as a teacher, but "There was just cause," to remove him as chairman.

Photographer Citadel

Dr. Joseph Peone

Peone said that Maier's grievance would probably go to outside arbitration since there is no avenue of appeal open to Maier on campus.

The FULCRUM asked President Smith and Vice President for Academic Affairs Ronald Horvath for interviews or statements. At press time, neither Smith nor Horvath had replied.

Faculty Association President Duane Whittaker said that proper procedures had been violated in Maier's removal from the Chemical Technology Department chairmanship. Whittaker declared that constitutionally guaranteed due process had not been observed. No just cause has been given for Maier's removal, Whittaker added.

'No Reasons' Maier Charges

by Lorenz Firsching
FULCRUM News Editor

In a recent interview Lawrence Maier, who has been removed from the chairmanship of the Chemical Technology Department, charged that no detailed reasons for his removal have been given.

Maier said that only the general charge that he has been counter productive to the Chemical Technology Department has been voiced. "I know of no concrete reasons for my removal," Maier said.

Maier said that he has asked President Smith for particulars at the meeting at which he was informed of his removal from the chairmanship. Maier also said that he had put the same question to Vice-President for Academic Affairs Ronald Horvath at a meeting of the Chemical Technology department later that day. At the time of this interview, Maier said that he had not received an answer.

"I'd like to know why I was removed," Maier commented. "I still don't know what the charges are. I think I've done my job well. Those who have worked with me, and the students in the department agree," Maier declared.

Photographer Citadel

Lawrence Maier

Maier charged that he was never given a chance for input into the decision to remove him. Maier said that President Smith told him that the Board of Trustees knew what was going on and agreed with Smith's action. Maier said that he had never had a chance to present his position to the Board.

Maier said that this action "comes at a ridiculous time." He said that the lack of a department chairman would be very disruptive to the students.

Maier pointed out that registraton will be slowed down because of the lack of a department chairman. Further, no decisions can be made without a meeting of the entire department because there is no

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Faculty Demands Smith Removed

Wednesday, December 5, at a special meeting of the Faculty Association called by the F.A. members themselves, a resolution was introduced asking the Board of Trustees to remove President Sigmund Smith from office. Sources in the F.A. indictate that either 126 or 127 members agreed with and signed the resolution, and that an additional twenty signatures were expected the following day. This represents approximately 82 percent of the 155 faculty members. If the additional signatures are obtained, the percentage supporting the resolution would be about 95 percent.

The vote occurred after several weeks of rumor and speculation that such action would be taken. Several faculty and administration sources have suggested that the Board of Trustees will take action on the faculty resolution before classes resume in January.

Faculty reactions to the vote seem to indicate that the Faculty Association is united on this issue. Thus far no formal answer to the resolution has been made by President Smith or any other Administration source.

Faculty Association President Duane Whittaker had no immediate comment on the faculty's action. He noted, however, that the meeting had been called by the members of the Association and not its leadership.

Goldman Responds to Charges

At the December 3 Senate meeting, President Rick Goldman replied to charges concerning misues of contingency fund money and making public statements without Senate approval.

Goldman answered questions about budgets, Executive Board operations, and the lack on sanitary facilities in the Union Building. He also issued a statement dealing with the Senate party of November 2nd and his statements to the Board of Trustees about the Rent-a-John brought on campus Friday November 15.

(Text of statement follows)

Goldman informed the Senate of a letter sent to County Legislator Francis Norton concerning alleged misquotes from a statement made by Goldman at a recent Board of Trustees meeting.

Goldman felt that the special session had gone well and that the questions of the Senate members had been adequately answered.

The so-called main topics of student unrest (the party and my "apology") have reached their respective state of overkill. First of all I feel that a lot of the problems within the Senate rests an personality conflicts. I will concede that I do not have the best personality, but I was not elected to be a popular, well-liked leader, I was elected to do a job, and that job is to insure student representation through an efficient vehicle (the new student government).

However, at the present time, this system of overkill is bringing a damaging influence into our government; Petitions are being circulated, the students are divided, and the concept of an effective student government is deteriorating from misquotes, and inadequate information. This has gone on long enough, we have more important issues to deal with, and these issues are: A snow poliey, tuition rebate, students rights with SASU, and perhaps the most important, the final stages of reorganization within the Student Senate.

For those of you who have been passing around petitions, I will respond to the issues raised through these petitions:

I. "Misuses of Contingency Fund" - The contingency fund, until one week ago had no restrictions. As in the past, the Executive Board used the contingency fund as was fit. NOTE: Through these events, reforms and definitions have been established.

II. "Apology for student actions" - Once again, and for the record, this is what I said to the Trustees: "I (Rick Goldman) knew nothing of the rent-a-john until it was outside the Union, I do not condone the posters on the john, but it has made the point, that we need some better alternative". Last year during the "Dick Baldwin crisis" various members of the A.B.C. and Senate made several comments without Senate's approval, this year, I have spoken for myself, and furthermore, the one letter that was published, was done with Senate's blessings.

III. "Not following set procedures as stated by the constitution" - We are, as you are aware, in the midst of two constitutions, but I confer with the parliamentarian regularly, and he (Lorenz) keeps me informed of any errors I may have made.

Photographer Rob Waffle

Senate President Rick Goldman

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Department Will Support Maier

The faculty and students of the Chemical Technology department support dismissed department chairman Larry Maier 100 per cent.

Three Chemical Technology Students—Steven Holowinski, Dave Gosselin, and Michael J. Harvilla—discussed the removal of Maier from department chairmanship. The students found "no justification" for the action.

Holowinski pointed out that in the one and one—half years that Maier has served as chairman, the number of students in the department has doubled. Holowinski could not understand the charge that Maier had been "counter-productive" to the department.

All three students commented on Maier's "extreme dedication to the welfare of the Chem. Tech. students." Gosselin gave as an example Maier's spending considerable time during the drive to a recent field trip making schedules for the department.

Gosselin also said that the morale of both the students and instructors in the Chemical Technology department has been hurt by the dismissal of Maier. He pointed out that with no chairman, schedules, job interviews, and other department activities would have to come to a halt. The three students asserted that no other instructor in the department would accept the chairmanship.

The students said they had seen President Smith once. They felt Smith had given no concrete reasons for Maier's dismissal. They also said that Smith indicated his desire to keep the incident quiet and not incur any publicity. A second group of students tried to see President Smith later that day and were refused.

The faculty of the Chemical Technology Department reacted in a similar manner to Maier's dismissal. David Fergus indicated that he was "extremely disturbed" by Maier's removal from the department chairmanship.

Fergus said that Maier was "a fine chairman". He praised Maier for bringing the department together and stimulating its growth and development. "Maier did an outstanding job", Fergus said, adding that both the faculty and students were behind him. President Smith's action "has demoralized the department" according to Fergus.

William Nichols agreed with Fergus" assessment. Nichols characterized Maier's removal as "regrettable" and saw "no justification" for it. "No just cause has been given" for Maier's dismissal as department chairman Nichols declared. He stated that Maier would receive 100 per cent support from the department faculty and students.

Michael Orinik said he was "dismayed" by the removal of Maier. Orinik said that it was "regrettable that the action was unilateral". Orinik indicated that the department faculty was preparing a letter to President Smith asking for details on why the action was taken. Orinik emphasized that no details on Maier's dismissal had been given. Only general reasons were given for the move Orinik added.

Poster by Chem Tech students, captioned "We Want Maier Back"

Whittaker Says Contract Legal

by Lorenz Firsching
FULCRUM News Editor

Faculty Association President Duane Whittaker has said that the faculty of BCC considers the October 18 agreement between faculty and county negotiators legally binding.

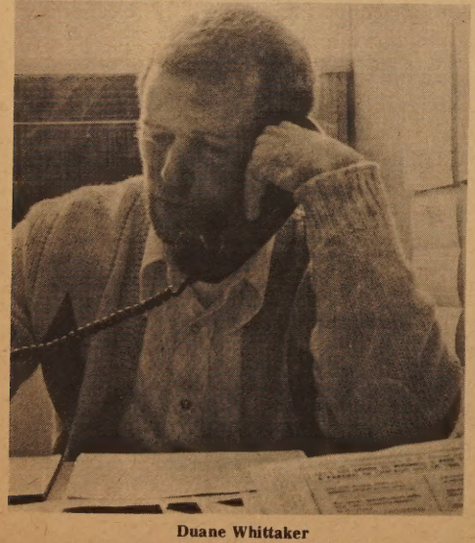
Whittaker indicated that the unfair Labor Practices Suit filed by the faculty against the County will be heard shortly. Whittaker said that the County had been unfair in their bargaining practices. Whittaker said that the faculty from now on would have to be completely mistrustful of any agreements reached with the County unless all members of the legislature are present.

Whittaker characterized the delay in ratifying the October 18 agreement as "purely Political". He said that the delaying action was "completely uncalled for".

Whittaker said that he had information indicating that 14 legislators would have voted to accept the agreement by the negotiating teams on October 18th. In the months delay, those against the proposed contract layed the groundwork to have it overturned, Whittaker said.

Whittaker saw no improvement in the governance situation on campus. He said that no action has been taken yet on proposals to modify or rework the existing governance structure.

Whittaker was critical of treatment he has received from both the County and the Administration. "Unless we are treated as professionals, things won't improve on campus", Whittaker said. He added that he could not understand why the various groups on campus can't work out their problems.



Duane Whittaker

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of recent Student Senate meetings are now available in Union Building - posted next to Senate Office.

Cenova: Senate Finances Improved

By Douglas Kosty
FULCRUM Staff Writer

"The Student Senate will probably be better off when it incorporates itself, becoming a non-profit corporation," according to Dave Cenova, vice-president of Financial Affairs of Senate.

He went on to say that the only expense this process will incur upon senate will be the corporations fees, which will be minimal. In an interview with the FULCRUM, Cenova went into some other aspects of senate finances.

The recent state audit said that the student activity fees were being used in proportions of senate 70 per cent, athletics 26 per cent, and convocations 4 per cent. Cenova said that this year, these proportions have changed. The figures he gave for this year are Senate 73 per cent, Athletics 23 per cent, and Convocations, less than 4 per cent. This shows that the senate budget has been increased while the other two budget items have been reduced.

The audit also suggested that the senate should take into account any unexpended revenues from the previous year's budget in figuring this year's budget. Cenova said "this type of figuring was used but the $25-a-semester activity fee is mandatory. We (the senate) never have enough carry-over to reduce the fee."

A referendum was recommended by the state audit so that the students could decide whether or not the Student Activity Fee should be mandatory or voluntary. This referendum has never been done and when asked why, Cenova replied "it doesn't have to be done in community colleges. Besides, last year's senate voted that 50 percent plus one member of the student body would have to vote in a referendum for it to be counted. The recent senate elections showed that voter apathy would make it impossible to get that much turn out."

Proper accounting records showing the conditions of the senate and the Atheltic Board of Control (ABC) should be made at the end of each academic year, recommended the audit. Cenova said, "this has always been done. Something which has become mandatory this year is that every expenditure is kept along with receipts for better accounting procedures."

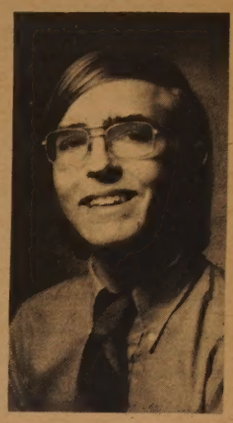
The audit criticised the senate of BCC for not having adequate controls established over the collection of student revenues to insure accountability over receipts. The audit suggested that these controls be established. "The Finance office is collecting revenues for us and turning them over to us," according to Cenova.

The state audit had two other suggestions. First, a budgetary provision for all expenditures made by the ABC should be established. Second, all student government equipment should be placed under control and an inventory of this equipment should be taken.

To the first suggestion. Cenova commented, "the ABC is still separate from the senate, but they have to submit their budget to the senate for approval."

To the second suggestion, Cenova replied that "an inventory has been taken but it is not yet completed. We are going to check into records to find out what is missing."

Recently, it has been rumored that the Faculty-Student Association(FSA) and the senate are breaking off all joint financial relations. The FSA was recommended by the audit to give money to "student related activities." Replying to these issues, Cenova said, "there is a very good possibility that all joint financial efforts between the organizations are breaking off. Since the FSA controls vending machine revenues, the senate is going to ask them for money, but since we're not involved jointly, they don't have to. The senate is a "student related activity" so they will give us some money if they follow the state audit's recommendation."



Dave Cenova

Colleges Evaluated

Eight faculty members and administrators at Broome Community College — including President Sigmund A Smith—have been selected to make evaluation visits to other colleges for accreditation purposes during the current academic year.

These accreditation visits, conducted by a team of educators from different schools, are part of an on-going process by educational and professional agencies to determine if colleges, their faculty and their academic departments are performing up to the required professional standards.

"I think it speaks very well for us at BCC that the major accrediting agencies think so well of our people," noted President Smith. "This is a sizeable number for them to choose from a college the size of ours."

The BCC staff people tapped for accreditation trips this year are:

President Smith, to the University of Puerto Rico's Bayamon Regional College, April 20-23.

Gary Reddig, vice-president for student affairs, went to Montgomery County Community College in Blue Bell, Md., Nov. 3-6.

Gino Canale, associate vice-president for continuing education, to Prince Georges Community College in Largo, Md., Feb. 23-26.

Herbert Durst, chairman of mechanical technology department, to Dundalk Community College in Baltimore Dec. 1-4.

Robert Reid, chairman of electrical technology department, to Rochester Community College in Rochester, Minn. April 6-8 and to the State Technical

Herbert Durst

Institute in Memphis, Tenn. Feb. 9-11.

Robert Cann, Business division faculty, went to Chesapeake Community College in Wye Mills, Md. Oct. 27-30.

Evelyn Katusak, Secretarial sciences faculty, to Garrett Community College in McHenry, Md., March 16-19.

Stephen Korducavich, English department faculty, to Mercer County Community College in Trenton, N.J. Feb. 23-26.

All of the above visits, except Reid's, are on behalf of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, which is one of five major educational agencies in the nation that evaluate both four-year and two-year colleges.

Reid's two accrediting trips will be for the Engineers Council for Professional Development (ECPD), one of several highly regarded organizations involved in accreditation in a particular field of study.

ECPD concerns itself with the departments and curriculum offerings in engineering and engineering technology programs, while Middle States deals with the quality of the college's entire operation.

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As of July 1, 1974, New York State replaced its Scholar Incentive program with a new and larger financial aid award—the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP). TAP is to be implemented one year at a time, over a four year period beginning with the 1974-75 academic year. In other words, only students who graduated from high school after January 1, 1974 and began their postsecondary study after July 1, 1974, are eligible for TAP. All other students will remain under the Scholar Incentive program.

The basic difference between the two programs lies in the schedule of payments (to be found in the Student Payment Application):

1) Schedule A applies strictly to students in graduate level study.

2) Schedule B applies to all undergraduate students who do not meet the eligibility requirements for TAP. Under this schedule, the maximum annual award is $600, if the net taxable income for 1973 was $2000 or less. As the net taxable income increases, the annual award is decreased.

3) Schedule C applies to students who meet the TAP eligibility requirements listed above. Under Schedule C, if the net taxable income for 1973 was $2000 or less, the maximum annual award is either $1500 or the cost ot tuition, whichever figure is less. (For B.C.C. students, therefore, the maximum award is $650). Again the larger the taxable income, the lower the annual award.

Both TAP and Scholar Incentive applicants must meet these general requirements to be eligible for an award:

1) Are now legal residents of New York State and have been legal residents for at least 1 year. (Persons who have been residing in New York State for less than a full year may also qualify if they are previously residents during their final year of high school or college study.)

2) Are citizens of the United States, or have made application for such citizenship, or file a statement of intent to make such application.

3) Are matriculated in an approved program in New York State. Approved programs include college programs leading to an approved degree or certificate, hospital school programs, 2-year programs in registered private business schools, and degree programs in trade or technical schools.

4) Are full-time students, enrolled for a minimum of 12 credits a semester, or 8 credits a quarter, or the equivalent.

5)Have a tuition charge (exclusive of fees) in excess of $200 a year.

6) Had a combined family net taxable income during the previous calendar year not exceeding $20,000.

7) A new student Payment Application must be filed with the Regents Examination and Scholarship Center annually, at the beginning of each academic year. To assure prompt processing of claims for the fall term, applications should be filed by July 1, before the academic year begins, although application will be accepted until May 15 of the academic year for which assistance is requested. Students who wish to use their TAP or Scholar Incentive award as credit towards their tuition must present the institution with the "College Copy" portion of the award letter before the tuition payment is due.

Scholar Incentive or TAP assistance may be received for a maximum of four years of undergraduate study (or five years in an approved five-year baccalaureate program;, and for a maximum of four years of graduate study. In no case shall a person be eligible for those awards for more than eight years of combined graduate and undergraduate study.

Application forms and instructions are mailed directly to the address on file for students currently active in the programs. Other students may obtain applications and instructions upon request from the Regents Examination and Scholarship Center or at the Financial Aid Office on campus.

The Student Payment Application is used not only for the TAP and Scholar Incentive, but also for the following grants and scholarships:

1) Regents College Scholarships

Awards are based upon competitive standing in the Regents Scholarship and College Qualification Test administered to high school seniors.

2; Regents Scholarship for Basic Professional Education in Nursing

This scholarship is specifically for students who plan to become nurses; awards are also based upon competitive standing in the Regents Scholarship and Qualification Test.

3) Regents Grants for Children of Deceased or Disabled Veterans

These grants of $450 per year are awarded to children of parents who served during specified periods of war of national emergency and who died as a result of such service or suffered a disability of at least 50 percent. There is no competition for these awards.

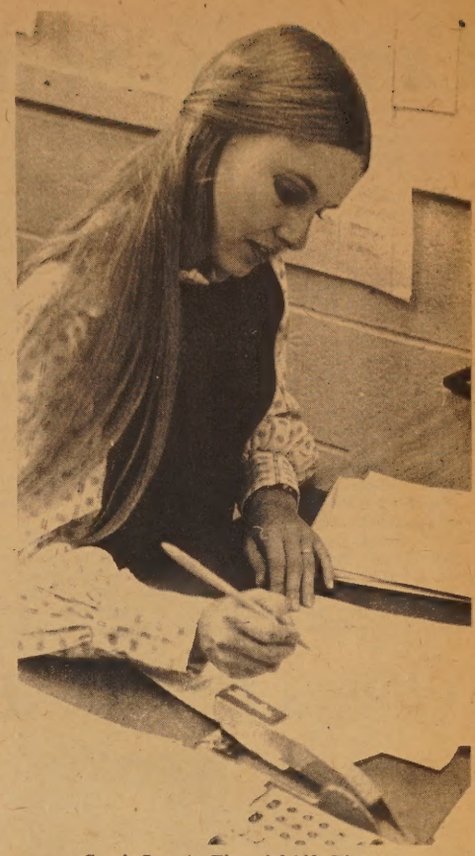
4) Regents Scholarship for War Veterans

These scholarships are specifically for veterans who served in regular active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States between October 1, 1961, and March 29, 1973. Awards are based upon a competitive examination usually administered during the summer. Applications may be obtained from the Regents Examination and Scholarship Center.

5) Regents Scholarships in Medicine, Dentistry, and Osteopathy

These scholarships are awarded on performance in a competitive examination and range from $350-$1,000 per year, based on financial need. Application forms may be obtained from the Regents Examination and Scholarship Center in May each year. Completed application forms must be filed about two weeks prior to the examination date, which is generally in October.

For further information, please contact the Financial Aid Office.



Connie Segreto, Financial Aids Director

Students Unaware Of Aid Available

Financial aid director Connie Segreto feels many BCC students are unaware that they are eligible to receive aid in attending school. Mrs. Segreto said "only 675 BCC students are now receiving aid." Many others are certainly elligible for these funds. The basic requirement ot receive these funds is a simple parents confidential form attainable in the financial aids office. Mrs. Segreto also said the financial aid staff is more than willing to help interested students in receiving this aid.

For further information come to the financial aids office (in the Wales Building) and talk to Connie Segreto or her assistant John View.

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in the Health Science Office
in the Basement of the Library.

COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN

December 18, 1974.

INFORMATION and APPLICATION FORMS for SUMMER JOBS in federal agencies are now available in the OFFICE OF OCCUPATIONAL PLANNING AND PLACEMENT (Ad. 201). For most students an examination is required in order to be eligible for summer employment.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE MAILED NO LATER THAN JANUARY 17, 1975.

APPLICATION DEADLINES FOR FEDERAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS 1975

JANUARY 1—Education Programs
Program Grants, beginning after August 1, 1975
Development Grants, beginning after August 1, 1975

JANUARY 24—Public Programs
Projects beginning after July 15, 1975

FEBRUARY 17—Fellowships
Summer Seminars for College Teachers, 1975

MARCH 15—Education Programs
Education Project Grants, beginning after Dec. 1, 1975

APRIL 1—Youth Grants
Projects beginning after September 1, 1975

Education Programs
Planning Grants, beginning after Dec. 1, 1975

APRIL 17—Public Programs
Projects beginning after October 15, 1975

MAY 9—Research Grants
Projects beginning after January 1, 1975

MAY 12-Fellowships
Fellowships for Independent Study and Research 1976-77

JUNE 26-Public Programs
Museum Personnel Program
Projects beginning after December 15, 1975

JULY 1-Education Programs
Program Grants, beginning after January 1, 1975

AUGUST 1-Education Programs
Development Grants, beginning after May 1, 1976

Youth Grants
Projects beginning after December 1, 1975

Student Files Opened

"The response of parents and students seeking access to school records has been short of what had been anticipated," according to Paul Hudson, Binghamton Director of the New York Public Interest Research Group. Under newly enacted Public Law 93-380, any federally funded school or college must make records of personal information available for inspection by parents and students 18 years or older. The institutions have 45 days to assemble the requested files.

Although critical of the length of time the schools have in which to comply, Mr. Hudson said in a special announcement today that he believes the chief reason for the light demand is that "parents and students are unaware of just what is on record and consequently do not know what to ask for." To assist those wanting to inspect their files the consumer advocate organization published a leaflet entitled "Your File is Now Open", outlining what is available, to whom, and what to do if the record contains inaccuracies. The leaflet, which is offered free of charge, is being distributed to most local colleges, or it may be obtained at the NYPIRG office in the SUNY Binghamton Union, Room 154.

Turning to threats made by school administrators in other regions to destroy certain of the records, Mr. Hudson said he does not anticipate any such practice locally, but added that "should any incidents of that nature be confirmed, NYPIRG is prepared to take legal action."

Next term, the library will open Sundays from 4 to 10.

Library Hours Extended

Broome Community College will open its Cecil C. Tyrrell Library on Sundays again, beginning December 8. The Sunday hours will be from 4 to 10 p.m.

"We have decided to resume our Sunday hours, because of the requests received from our faculty members and students," said James Baker, BCC associate vice-president for the library.

"Both full-time day and part-time evening students have expressed considerable interest in using the library on Sundays.

"Our library is also open to the public—on Sunday as well as the five week days," Mr. Baker added.

He noted, too, that the early December opening comes at a good time for the students, because final exams are scheduled for Dec. 19-21.

Suny Gets Optometry Grant

State University of New York College of Optometry has recently initiated a new program to broaden optometric care to New York's rural residents under a $223,000 grant. According to the announcement, this is the first grant of its kind to be awarded under the Health Professions Special Project Grant Program of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The program will be funded over a three-year period. Initially, funds will be used to underwrite a program of in-service instructional and clerical training for optometrists already practicing outside major cities. In 1975, the College plans to initiate a residency program for recent graduates of optometric colleges, geared to the special requirements of rural practice.

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At the American Council on Education's 57th annual meeting in San Diego, California recently, Ernest L. Boyer, Chancellor of State University of New York, was elected member of the ACE Board for a term ending in 1977. Dr. Boyer was among five other distinguished educators elected for the three-year term.

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James F. Kelly, Executive Vice Chancellor of State University of New York, and Max H. Schoen, Professor of Dental Health Services, School of Dental Medicine, State University of New York at Stony Brook, were recently elected to membership in the National Academy of Science's prestigious Institute of Medicine (IOM). The IOM was established in 1970 "to be concerned with the protection and advancement of the health of the public." Its membership is composed of individuals distinguished in the health professions, the sciences, and related fields. Dr. Kelly and Dr. Schoen were among 63 new members elected to membership for a five-year term.

Mini-Courses Offered

A new batch of "mini" courses is now being planned at Broome Community College for next semester, and the college is open to suggestions from people in the community about topics of interest for these short, non-credit courses.

Anyone who has a topic in mind that he-she would like to learn something about or is qualified to teach should contact Gail Reeder, mini course coordinator at BCC.

Mini courses usually run three or six weeks, one night a week, and they entail no homework, no exams and no grades. They have covered such a wide diversity of topics as yoga, photography, effective reading, stock options and belly dancing, Mrs. Reeder noted.

"These are not the typical courses usually associated with college degree programs, and it frequently works out well that people with a hobby or craft to share with others can create and conduct an interesting mini course," she said.

EVENTS at the ROBERSON CENTER for the Arts and Sciences This Month

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Christmas Craft Exhibition Two Rivers Gallery

"Curt Johnson: One Man Show" Gallery Art Exhibit Wilson Memorial Hospital

NOW through DECEMBER 31

"Christmas Forest" Dickenson Galleries

NOW through JANUARY 5

"Frans Wildenhain Retrospective" University Art Gallery, SUAB

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From 1971 to 1973 the Federal Republic of Germany spent as its share in international academic-exchange activities, newly available figures show, just under DM 270,000,000. The expenditure benefited some 50,000 individual students and professors.

Those are over-all figures. What does it cost for an individual scholarship? Naturally, only an incomplete answer can be given because of the many variables: distance to travel, length of stay, and so on. But it is known that a one-year scholarship or fellowship for a non-German in the Federal Republic of Germany (without dependents) averages currently around DM 11,000. The figure deliberately omits travel costs.

The expense of a one-year teaching fellowship sponsored by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation—without travel costs—currently comes to around DM 23,000 per individual fellowship.

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) spends about DM 5,000 for each three-month visit.

During the 1974-1975 school year the North Rhine-Westphalian Ministry of Education is employing 362 British and American teachers of English.

Two hundred and sixteen of this group have gone to various Gymnasia, the nine-year schools whose primary aim is preparation for univeristy training. Of the remaining 146, 62 went to professional schools and 84 to trade schools.

English is the preferred second language in the NRW school system and is offered to all pupils after completion of their fourth year of schooling. Including the teachers from Great Britain and the United States there are an estimated 4,500 teachers in the State school system who teach English, most of them in conjunction with other subjects. The number of pupils and students studying English is estimated at 1.3 million.

As recently as 1969 there were only 79 teachers in the State school system whose mother tongue was English.

Greetings

May your holiday glow like a Christmas candle . . . with the warmth of our good wishes!

Insurance Co. Gives Grants

NEW YORK, N.Y, Nov. 12—A program of educational grants, designed to promote better understanding between the business and academic communities has been announced by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. The grants, approximately 10 of which will be awarded annually, will range in size from a minimum of $2,500 to a maximum of $15,000.

Eligible for the grants in 1975 will be those four-year colleges and universities that are fully accredited members of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools plus regionally accredited institutions in the state of Virginia. Included in the Middle States Association are schools in Delaware, District of Columbia, New Jersey, New York, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

In subsequent years, other regions will be eligible for the awards, which will go to regionally accredited United States four-year colleges or universities, including graduate or professional schools or, in Canada, to member institutions of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada.

Metropolitan Life has offered participating colleges and universities and widest latitude in developing proposals and will consider curricular changes aimed at improving relationships between business and the academic world, related research, projects which foster communication among business, faculty, and students, and exploratory studies in the general area of business-academia relationships.

Proposals must be received by Metropolitan Life by January 31, 1975, to be eligible for the first-year grants, which will be announced on or about April 1.

The program has been established in honor of Gilbert W. Fitzhugh, retired chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Metropolitan, as part of Metropolitan Life's educational support program.

Proposals will be reviewed and judged by a committee consisting of: Martha Peterson (chairman), president of Barnard College; Prof. Daniel Bell, department of sociology, Harvard University; Mr. Fitzhugh; Prof. Stephen R. Graubard, department of history, Brown University, and editor of **Daedalus**, the journal of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences; Donald A. Odell, vice-president and secretary of Metropolitan Life; and Dr. Olin C. Robison, provost, Bowdoin College.

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Hofstra To Aid Local Students

Hofstra University, concerned about the growing pressures of inflation and its impact on middle income families, today announced a unique Middle Income Plan of grants and scholarships which will reduce the costs of tuition and fees for many Hofstra students to between $210 and $1250 a year.

The Hofstra plan includes:

a $500 grant annually to students from middle income families.

Hofstra academic scholarships of at least $800 annually to outstanding students.

scholarships of $1000 a year to transfer students who meet high academic standards.

financial aid for undergraduates from a special $100,000 Hofstra scholarship fund and other scholarship resources of more than $2-million.

Chief benefits of the new program to middle income families in New York State whose taxable income falls between $6,000 and $17,000, (parents with a gross income of about $10,000 to $25,000).

According to Hofstra President Robert L. Payton, "The University is determined to attract qualified students from Long Island and the surrounding region.

"Hofstra has always served the middle-income students of this area. Inflation has forced us to raise our tuition, but these new financial aid plans will make it possible for us to continue to serve the constituency we've served for forty years.

"We want to do this on our merits, by virtue of our fine student body, strong faculty, excellent library and other facilities, and the wide diversity of programs that we offer.

"In our view, college choice should not be dictated solely by the student's ability to pay. By this new Middle Income Plan and the other programs we offer, Hofstra hopes to minimize the financial problem for as many students as possible."

Hofstra, the largest private university on Long Island, is located in Hempstead, 25 miles east of Manhattan. Consisting in part of a College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, undergraduate and graduate schools of education and business and a graduate school of law, Hofstra's full and part-time student enrollment, day and evening, is about 12,000.

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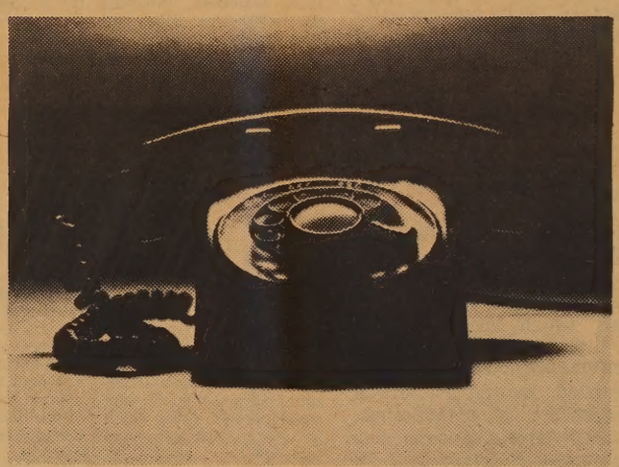

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EDITORIALS

Campus Situation Worsens

The Faculty Association vote of no confidence in President Sigmund Smith is yet another - and perhaps the most serious - indication of the deteriorating situation on campus.

Even before classes got underway this year, students found themselves under the threat of a faculty strike. Subsequent actions by the County Legislature have extended this threat to the point that there is no foreseeable conclusion of this situation.

President Smith has isolated himself from students this year to a dangerous extent. He has not yet appeared at a Student Senate meeting, despite the requests of Senate and their attempt to accommodate themselves to his schedule. Further, President Smith has not acted on FULCRUM requests to establish a set time for campus press conferences. Indeed, President Smith has not yet granted an interview to the FULCRUM this year, despite several such requests on various topics over the course of the year.

The failure of campus governance to effectively deal with student problems has compounded the troubles faced by BCC students this year. Several faculty and administration members have pointed out flaws in the governance structure, but no action to correct these defects has yet been taken. Furthermore, President Smith has failed to respond to the few positive actions of the governance system - the lack of a snow day policy is a prime example of this fact.

Finally, students have found themselves caught in the bind of declining County contributions to BCC and ever-increasing tuition. In short, there seems to be a never-ending series of problems detracting from the quality of education at BCC. Unless these problems are corrected, the quality of education offered to students at BCC may decline even further. If this happens, BCC will find itself with a severe drop in enrollments.

Merry Christmas To All

The FULCRUM wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Let us hope the holiday break will see an end to the problems that face BCC, and that the new year will bring prosperity and joy to the campus.

Budget Figures Questioned

We wonder whatever became of the Environmental Action Committee on this campus. A more fitting term for the group this year is the Environmental Non-action Committee.

Last year, the committee had a shed constructed adjacent to the Maintenance Building. The purpose of this shed was originally for the temporary storage of materials to be recycled. Today this shed is quite full of paper waiting to be recycled, but no one has taken the time or made the effort to recycle the papers.

It is important particularly at this time to reclaim many of the materials which are in scarce supply. It is also important to use the aforementioned shed as it was intended. We need a strong recycling effort on this campus, one that will hopefully encourage other campuses to follow suit. To fail to rekindle the flames of environmental conservation now would be a grave mistake.

Environmental Non-Action

Recently, Vice-President for Administrative Affairs Alan Roth announced that BCC ended up with a surplus of $150,000 from the 1973-74 academic year. This raises an important question about last year's budgetary problems.

In the middle of last year, the administration announced that BCC had a deficit of $300,000. Those connected with the college were asked to cut back expenses in order to ease the tight situation.

Now we find that BCC ended up with a $150,000 surplus. We want to know why there is a $450,000 discrepancy in last year's budget figures.

Merry Christmas

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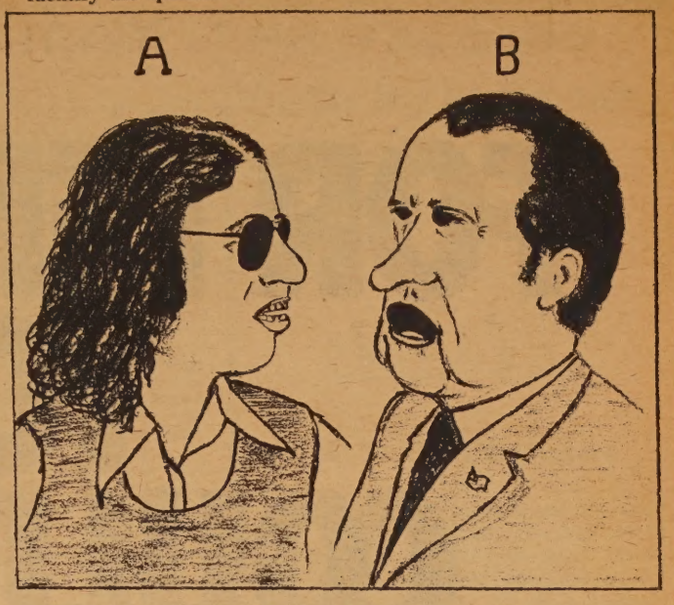

"Let's clear the air once and for all, and then let's get back to the relevant issues that affect us . . ."

LETTERS

Senate Article Attacked

To the Editor:

After reading the Nov. 21st issue of the FULCRUM, I wonder how the Editor of this paper can justify printing such poor quality journalism. There is no factual basis for many of this article's statements.

Karl Svatek wrote that Rick Goldman, Student Senate President authorized the spending of $250 from the Senate Contingency Fund. Svatek neglects the fact that the whole Executive Council must also approve the spending of those funds.

Svatek stresses the lack of an advisor's signature on the requisition form for the check. He neglects the fact that the Senate Advisor, Doug Garner, had already approved of having the Senate party at his very own house!

The lack of research for this article becomes more apparent when he quotes an unnamed source who estimated that over half ot the 25 people attending the party were not even BCC students. Senators who attended the party report that there were perhaps 5 out of 35-40 persons at the party who were not BCC students or faculty.

Svatek's source estimated that $40 or more was spent on beer for the party. Brian Allis, senate VP, reports that the $160 for beer was a part of the original $250 requisition.

When the true facts could have been obtained in the senate offices, next door to the FULCRUM office, there is no pardoning the errors in Mr. Svatek's article. He did a great disservice to Rick Goldman, the Student Senate, and most importantly, the student body of BCC. All deserve a public apology from the author of this fiction and from the editor who printed it as fact!

Mike Cusick
Senate Member

Alumni Actions Summarized

To the Editor:

The following is a letter which appeared in the newsletter BCC Today which is sent to students and alumni.

Dear Alumni,

With the first semester of the academic year drawing to a close, I felt it was appropriate to share with you what the Alumni Board of Directors has been doing.

Our main theme this year has been to make the Broome Community College Alumni Association more visible to the Alumni, the College community and the general public. Many possibilities have been explored with the most expansive being an Alumniwide fund raising campaign, with funds being used for scholarships, college projects and faculty assistance. We will be sending you more information when the entire campaign has been developed.

To assist the alumni we have been investigating more benefits for you. Starting with the BCC Players' October presentation of "Three Men On a Horse," we began having 50 complimentary tickets made available for their shows this academic

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Circle K Aids in Spending Christmas Joy

Once again the spirit of Christmas, giving to others less fortunate, will be kept alive here at BCC by the Circle K club. For the second year in a row, the Circle K will hold a Christmas Party complete with Christmas Tree, Stockings and of course Santa Claus for less fortunate children.

The group chosen this year for the party was the Headstart school. Jean Hill is the coordinator for the Headstart Program and has agreed to send down three classes for the party. This will comprose approximately forty-five children from the ages of three to five with three teachers and three aids.

The party will start with a luncheon in the Union Lounge. The lunch has been graciously provided by the Front Street MacDonalds and will include a hamburger, french fries and soft drink for everyone. The MacDonalds people will also supply each child with a MacDonaldland doll.

After lunch the Circle K members will get the kids in a Christmas mood by singing carols and then Mr. Marion the Circle K advisor with read THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS. Soon to follow, Mr. Marion will make a quick change and reappear as the one and only, Santa Claus. Each child will get the opportunity to sit on Santa's lap and ask him what he would like for Christmas.

Every child will be given a stocking full of toys. Special stockings will be made up just for the Circle K's party. There will be three or four gifts for every child which, like the stockings will be purchased from Sall's Toy House at a sizeable discount.

The party which is set for December 20th will give some less fortunate children a chance to see another side of Christmas. It also affords the Circle K members a chance to get away from the commercialism that so often clouds the Christmas spirit, and just enjoy making Christmas better for someone else. The campus community should be proud of this group because they really do care about people.

Christmas '74

Season's Meaning Has Been Lost

Christmas—all of a sudden it's here again! Baking shopping and wrapping, a tree to hang, cards to sent out and decorating to be done. What does Chrismas mean besides vacation and alot of tasks to do?

The mention of Christmas tends to bring the above mentioned duties to mind. Even though they are part of the Christmas season they are not the focal point, which is the birth of Jesus Christ the Christian savior. The birth of the Savior was worthy of celebration and eventually became so big a Holiday it has been blown out of proportion.

The simple gifts as the gifts given on the first day are no more, bigger and better things replace them. The gift of friendship and a smile are no more acceptable. In order to be appreciated the gift must have a monetary value.

The ideas and importance of the birth: Peace, enlightenment, and salvation are not even mentioned on most commercial Christmas cards.

The meaning of Christmas somehow over the ages has become warped. We must realize what this Holiday means and if we can not find it through each other we must carry it in our hearts.

It is good to be children sometimes,
and never better than Christmas time
when its mighty founder was a child Himself

Charles Dickens

Dream of Santa Is Real for Children

On September 21, 1897, the following editorial appeared in the New York Sun in response to a letter written by one of the Sun's younger readers. The letter was from Virginia O'Hanlon and she asked, "Is There a Santa Claus?"

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except that which they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they are men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in fairies . . . no Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

Christmas Greetings

Roberson Displays Christmas Forest

Roberson Center is presenting its annual Christmas Forest and Christmas show to brighten up this festive season for one and all.

The Christmas Forest exemplifies customs and traditions which have evolved to embellish the simple story of the birth of the Christ Child are indicative of the importance of Christmas in the hearts of man.

This year the visitor starts in the 20th century and travels back in time to the Middle Ages when Christmas was celebrated with energy and gusto.

Snow and frost, ale and apples, and the family around the fireplace all play a part in this years forest. Rhyme after unexceptional rhyme echoes the feeling:

With holly and ivy
So green and so gay;
We deck up our homes
As fresh as the day.

The forest will be open to visitors until December 29.

Meanwhile, the ancient tale of the Star of Bethlehem and the Three Kings who travelled with their gifts of gold and myrrh is one of the loveliest of all Christmas stories.

The question of the star of Bethlehem has been debated by many great minds of the past, but today we have the benefit of their research without their prejudice and mistakes. Our present vantage point allows us to look at this problem more completely and fairly than any of our predecessors.

Christmas show hours are as follows:

Saturdays: December 14, 21 and 28 at 12:30, 2:00 and 3:30 p.m.

Sundays: December 15, 22, and 29 at 12:30, 2:00, 3:30 and 5:00 p.m.

Admission is $1.50 for adults and $1.00 for students.

NOT ONE OF ANY COLOR

by Marguerite Miller LA '71

The manger may have cast
a shadow,
Where the Baby Jesus lay;
For once He seemed a darkie boy,
Lying on the hay.

Yet when Joseph raised the
lantern,
Above the donkey's head;
The Child's face and fingers,
Seemed not brown, but copper red.

Then the moonlight fell upon Him,
Making profiles soft and mellow;
His tiny eyes seemed slanted,
And His features sanguine yellow.

But when the shadows lifted,
And a star shone strong and bright;
I saw He's every color,
Though we wrongly call Him white.

Traditional Christmas Joys Remembered

Long ago before the age of 747's and men on the moon, before the war to end all wars, there was a different kind of Christmas. Quietly and unbenounced to the rest of the world a little town in Nebraska; Elm Creek celebrated the birth of Christ.

Weeks before the 25th of December, the children from the Sunday school classes spent hours painstakingly stringing popcorn and cranberries for the large tree that was to be put up and decorated in the church the day before Christmas Eve. There were very few real trees in Nebraska so the tree in the church was the only decorated tree in Elm Creek. The class decorated the rest of the church too and put the finishing touches on the Christmas pageant so that everything would be ready for Christmas Eve.

Just as the dark of night has settled over the town, every one bundled up warm and prepared for the sleigh ride to the church for the Christmas Pageant and service. Mr. Marsh the town blacksmith had the wagon in place of the wheels. With the two feet of snow this was the fastest means of travel. The wagon was filled with hay and covered with a quilt. The family (all eight kids) piled into the wagon and on they went to pick up the other families and then on to church.

The magic that is Christmas came alive in the eyes of the children as they beheld with wonder the tree they had decorated and the church lit with kerosene lamps and candles. the children put on the traditional pageant and reenacted the scene at the inn and Joseph and Mary were there with the wise men and shepards and angels. And there in the manger slept the baby Jesus. Each child played their part and felt the same joy that has been in the heart of many for centuries. There were those who didn't feel as if they could act out a part in the pageant and so afterwords they took turns and recited their selections before the congregation.

After the service they all bundled up again and all piled into the wagon. As they rushed over the moonlit snow covered country, they filled the still night air with the singing of Christmas carols. Once inside the house the children dashed upstairs and gathered up their night clothes, while down below father made a fire in the kitchen stove. When the fire was going strong, the children would stand close by and warm up. Then they would put on their night clothes in the kitchen. Then just before bed, the stockings would go up in anticipation of Santa Claus, and then off to bed they went.

The sun began to rise on Christmas morning after what seemed to be an endless night to children everywhere. Downstairs the youngsters rushed and much to their great relief, Santa Claus had filled their stockings again this year. Beneath each stocking was a gift for each child. For the older girls there were new dresses (hand made by mother without patterns of course) and hair ribbons to match. The younger girls got, perhaps a doll with a china face and pretty real hair and eyes that would close when she would sleep. Dan, being a blacksmith, had made tiny children ate the fruitcake first they wouldn't get sick eating One year there was a special gift, a tiny iron stove just like mothers, with a resevoir for hot water and removable burners. For the boys, there were the usual gifts that boys have received and loved for years. The first new pair of long pants, a baseball or the first hunting rifle like Dad's, all brought an added joy to Christmas.

The stockings were filled to the brim with tasty goodies. In the toe was an orange (a real treat to the children of Elm Creek who vary rarely had oranges, except at Christmastime). Next there were nuts and candies and on the top lay a piece of Mother's fruit cake. Always she placed the fruitcake on top because somehow she felt if the children ate thefruitcake first they wouldn't get sick eating the rest of the candy and nuts.

The next few hours were full of play while the children tried out their newly received treasures. Later when some of the excitement and din had toned down, everyone sat down for the big turkey dinner and soon everyone was stuffed but the bird. After the dinner had settled and night had fallen, father would sit at the table and all the children gathered around. Out of the stockings came the nuts, and father would get the old nut cracker and the large mixing bowl and crack the nuts. As the kids ate the nuts, he would tell stories of times gone by.

In the days that would follow, the children would pile up into the new sleigh wagon with their new ice skates, and father would take them down to the pond. While the kids skated, father built a fire by the pond for them to warm up by occasionally. When everyone was finally too tired to skate another srep, they piled back into the wagon and sang carols all the way home.

Before they knew it, it was New Year's Eve. The New Year's Eve tradition was oyster stew. There were no big parties or formal balls, but at midnight the church bells pealed. As they rang, a sort of melancholy filled the hearts of the Elm Creek residents. It meant that the special days, the holiday season, would soon be over. But with the end of the holidays came the beginning of a new year which promised new hopes and dreams and once again another holiday season would come.

BCC Choir Singing Last Christmas Season

Christmas Seen as Being Joyous

Christmas is here again full of its concepts and feelings. Students here at Broome were interviewed to find how they see and feel about Christmas.

A Liberal Arts student commented, "I think there's magic in the air." When asked why she felt this way she added, "I think in everybody's heart there is a spirit from ages ago that comes out during the Holidays . . . there's one bad aspect however, commercialization in stores and on television."

Another Liberal Arts student said, "I enjoy getting gifts and seeing the season's decorations."

A music major gave this response, "I enjoy the tradition involved and of course the music." One coed thought we ought to get more involved with Christ and that gift giving ought to be done through the spirit of Jesus. She continued to say that there is too much emphasis on the value of the gifts given and received instead of why we give.

A business administration male answered, when asked what entered his mind when Christmas is mentioned, "Santa Claus, Christ's birth, Christmas Trees and going to Grandma's house for turkey dinner.

Some students feel that Christmas had both good and bad aspects such as bringing families closer together by sharing December 25, but that too much worry is devoted to the money part of the season.

A Secretarial Science student liked Christmas, because it is the only time of the year that her family is together.

Most however share a universal view that our society has an excess commercialization connected with the season and that the Holidays have lost their real meaning. one big complaint was against television because they exploit children through toy commercials.

Most felt that Christmas is basically nice even with exploits of the season.

At Christmas Time

By CAMILLA R. BITTLE

At Christmas, when I was small,
We placed the figures in the stall
(Mary, Blessed Babe, and all),
Hung mistletoe high in the hall,
Made calendars for kitchen walls,
And decked our tree with shiny balls.

On Christmas Eve beside the fire,
We gathered round the wicker chair
To hear our mother's mother read
Of sugarplums that danced in air,
Of moonlight on new fallen snow,
And this we knew—as children know—
Was evidence of love below
The great high arc of heaven's dome,
Of Christmases secured by home.

The cold—a stabbing, piercing knife.
The stars—small, dazzling flecks of light.
Our breath rose up in columns white,
And, oh, the still of Christmas night!

Each year we did the very same,
Wrote cards, made lists, our cousins came.
On Christmas Eve out caroling,
Our cheeks bared to the icy sting
Of snowy wind, grew tingling.
We sang as loud as we could sing.

I ask myself—what did it mean,
The stockings, tinsel, branches green,
The smell of oranges and pie,
The wreaths, the bells, the winter sky
Where once a star shone for The Child,
Whose birth we hailed with praises mild,
While overhead the Milky Way
Was passage for Old Santa's sleigh.

We still hang up the mistletoe.
My children's faces rosy grow,
Their boots squeak on the hard-packed snow.
Their eyes with eagerness will glow,
And I'm the only one who'll know
That it was different long ago.

The tree still flaunts its branches.
The sky is jet, the stars wink light.
There is a hush to Christmas night,
The songs are still sung out with might
And Santa's toys, a dazzling sight.

The only thing that's changed is me.
It's not a fir with lights I see,
For only God can make a tree—
This is what I see.
And children's eyes can only be
Small windows on eternity.

And so with gifts, and cousins small,
And so with garlands in the hall,
And firelight's shadows on the wall—
God's handiwork, that's all.

Yet in this season of our joy
There are still those who feel a toy
Is all that matters—not The Boy,
Whose praises we should all employ,
Lest man all brotherhood destroy.

Come, take your stand—decry the whim
That turkeys, gifts and greetings slim
Define the core—they are the rim
And but the glossy surface skim
For in our hearts we kneel to Him.

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Observation Point

by KARL SVATEK
Editor-In-Chief

The "women's lib terminology" we are getting saturated with is getting out of hand. Recently a woman wrote a letter to the New York Times, and in it she related some rather humorous happenings. It seems that a women's lib group in a small Florida town has successfully changed the wording of the town's laws so that manhole covers are now called "personhole covers." My stomach hurts.

Equality is one thing, but much of this is getting ridiculous. So, following is an example of what might happen.

Norman Freeman (Alius Norperson Freeperson) is walking down the street, when he sees his best friend Manuel Rodriguez (Personuel Rodriguez).

"Hey man (person), how are you?"

Right here I'm going to interrupt this conversation to let you know that you're on your own. Let's see if you can figure out the rest of this.

"I'm O.K. Say Norperson, what was that little saying that Neil Armstrong made when he first stepped foot on the moon?"

"I think it was, 'That's one small step for a person, one giant leap for personkind."

"Thanks, person. I have a report to do on it.

"Oh yeah? I'm doing a report on that chemical element personganese. I didn't want to do it, but my teacher said it was persondatory."

"Hey, look out! You almost stepped in that pile of personure that that persongy dog just left there."

"Thanks, Personuel. I wonder who the personiac is that owns that mutt?"

"I think it's Harvey's dog."

"Who's Harvey?"

"He's the guy down the street with the Fu-personchu mustache."

"That idiot! I'd like to persongle his head! What does he do for a living, anyway?"

"He's a personnel personager down at Ajax Plumbing & Heating. He also has a part-time job in which he gives persondolin lessons. His wife gives personicures down at the beauty shop, too."

"We'll, I'm going to go see him about that dog of his. I don't think he can personeuver out of this."

Be careful! I hear he raises personx cats too, and they're likely to run all over you. The guy has no class, no personners."

"Well, I think he has some class. After all, look at the personsion he lives in. And I hear he already has his Christmas stockings hanging on his persontel. As a matter of fact, he bought some old personnequins and dressed them up in holiday suits and put them on his roof."

"But I still think you should leave him alone."

"I guess you're right. Well, I'll be seeing you. Don't forget your personuscript and your personial envelope."

I hope it doesn't come to this, and if your hopes are the same, man (I mean person) your pens and typewriters and write some letters protesting this foolishness, man and woman (person and woperson) alike.

Satire:

Snow Shoes Are Better Than No Shoes!!

by Doug Kosty
and
Lorenz Firsching

"Who would believe this!" exclaimed the editor of the Trenton Community College student newspaper. "Here we are on the last day of classes before Christmas vacation, trapped in the Student Union by a 16 inch snowfall and ice storm."

"You editors, always evaluating! You never take any action. All you do is sit in your office and try to stir up people," snapped the Student Senate President. "I am going to do something about this mess. Does anybody have any suggestions?"

"Yes," said the Social Activities Chairman. "I suggest we tap a half-keg of beer which is conveniently located in my office."

So the 16 students trapped in the barren Union building began drinking. Soon they were playing strange games on the pool tables and other recreational equipment.

"Say," slurred the SA Chairman, "its past 4 am on the last day of classes before Christmas vacation. Why are we still here?"

"We're snowed in! Don't you remember that you fool?" snapped the Senate President. "Campus should have been closed today. Every school, college, factory, and X-rated movie theater in the state was closed, but we stayed open. The governor declared this county a disaster area. Just before the last radio station went dead, I heard that the Air Force was dropping supplies in and that the roads might be closed until spring. But we stayed open!"

"Did you see the student parking lot this morning?" asked the newspaper editor. "When I came in by dogsled at noon for my final exam, it still hadn't been plowed."

"Of course not," said the Senate President. "The County legislature has made a deal to use the college's snow plows to clear the entire Jersey Turnpike and every road from Hackensack to Miami. The student lot only gets cleared in the event of a nuclear war."

The campus pool champion who by this time had trouble finding the tables, suddenly shouted, "Its the college President! He must be here to save us!"

The Senate President helped the College President in. "Hey man, what are you doing here? Why aren't you home where smart people are during a storm like this?"

"If I was smart, would I be president of this college?" snapped the college president. "Seriously, I have been out of the area with my car and I was trying to get home when I ran into a huge snow drift. It must have been 50 feet high!"

"What were you doing in the student parking lot?" asked the pool champ.

"Was that where I was? I try to avoid contact with the students if I can help it.

"Have a few beers. Say, where did you get that beer anyway," the Senate President asked the SA Chairman. "It wasn't listed in your budget as a line item."

"Yes it was. It was under the line item 'office supplies.'"

"Did the mechanical students have a party in here recently?" one of the students asked.

"Yes," replied the SA Chairman.

"Ah that explains it."

"Explains what?"

"There's a projector and screen in this closet, and several reels of 'Deep Throat'."

"Quick, lets set it up," ordered the Senate President.

"Deep Throat," said the College President. "Is that an anatomy lesson?"

"In a way. Have another beer."

Several hours later the College President commented, "Very interesting. So thats what you students do for fun. Its not exactly the 'Perils of Pauline'. Say where's the bathroom in here?"

The students all stared at the College President. Finally one said, "Boy you are out of touch aren't you. There is no bathroom in this building."

"What!" exclaimed the College President. He looked around frantically. "What can I do?"

"The question is, where can you do it?" quipped one of the students.

"You do the same thing we do," said the SA Chairman and he jerked his thumb at the door.

"Our there!? I'll freeze stiff!" shouted the college president.

"You can thank your friends in the legislature for this," snarled the champ. "They owe us 100,000 square feet of student activity space, but they are too cheap to come across with the money."

Dejectedly the College President stepped outside. "You'll get used to it!" one of the students shouted out after him.

Several days later, the SA chairman quietly approached the Senate President. "We have a crisis on our hands sir. We are out of beer."

"Hmm, there's one thing to do. I have several cases of vodka hidden in my office. But we have to mix it with something. After several days of beer, it is too strong to drink straight."

"We have orange soda in the coke machine. Lets see, since last month the vending company raised prices twice. Soft drink is now $3.75 a can."

"At price we'll go broke before we get drunk."

Suddenly there is a sound at the door and a snow covered figure falls into the room.

"Is it the abominable snowman? Is it a Tibetan monk? Is it Walter Cronkite?" the students scream.

One of the students ran over to the figure. "My God, its Bing Crosby!"

An hour later Bing was thawed out enough to talk. "I was a guest speaker at a Social Science class. I didn't want to come but every one told me that this college never closes. When I got here there was nobody in the other buildings. I stayed in the Business Building until this morning, when I decided to go for help."

The Senate President said, "We can't give you help but we can give you vodka. Get Mr. Crosby a vodka and orange soda."

"Orange Soda! No way. Say, my car isn't far from here. Have a couple of your boys help me get over to it. I happen to have a case of Minute Maid in the back. There's no doubt about it."

A few hours later, everyone has passed out except Bing. It is Christmas Eve and Bing is singing to himself:

"I dreaming of a white Christmas,
Just like the ones I used to know . . .

What am I saying? If this Christmas gets any whiter, the snow will be up to the roof."

A sudden rumbling wakes everybody up. Out of the darkness a snow plow appears, driven by the Chairman of the County Legislature's Education Committee. He leaps off the plow and runs to the door.

"We're saved, we're saved!" the students shout.

"Where am I?" asked the Chairman.

"TCC"

"You mean, this isn't where they do the hair transplants?"

"Where is the Union Building?" "You won't believe this, but . . ."

Minority Prevails

To the Editor:

In response to the Editorial on the non-returnable bottles law, such a law would be greatly loved by the majority. However, here is a case where the power prevails, the rich minority.

I worked at a soda plant this past summer and saw first hand what goes on. It is actually cheapter to produce no-return bottles. This is due to the cleaning costs of returnable bottles, the breakage of the returnable bottles in the machines producing the soda, and more labor needed to produce the final product.

Over the summer at the soda plant in Johnson City, a multi-thousand dollar machine was installed that can only produce non-returnable bottles. They would never have done this if they knew that a law would be passed that would make this machine useless!

MJ Harvilla

OTHER LETTERS ARE FOUND ON PAGES 14 and 15

Library Users Inconvenienced

To the Editor,

The library is not a lounge. The library building was built for the purpose of holding books and as a refuge for study. It is unbelievable how inconsiderate many "students" act while using the library. Loud conversation, carried on as though no one needs or desires to study, is common in the library.

Although there may be a need for more socialization on this campus, perhaps a very great need, the library should not be the place for it. Students should be reminded that the SUB and the student union are available and should be used for such purposes.

I point to the inconsiderate students as the people chiefly at fault. Also I believe the library staff should be reminded of their duty to maintain a suitable environment for study. And although it is highly unlikely, perhaps the BCC administration or county legislature should consider providing the students with more lounge areas throughout the campus.

I have discussed the problem of library noise with others and found many people in agreement. Hopefully this letter will make the offenders conscious of the inconvenience they project upon others.

Bill Burke

Arts and Entertainment

Book Review:

Modern Novels Poorly Written

by Lorenz Firsching
FULCRUM News Editor

A Fall of Moondust, Arthur C. Clarke (Signet, $1.25)
Ringworld, Larry Niven (Ballentine, $1.25)

Recently, two penetrating insights into developments in modern fiction have been published, and these comments form the basis for this issue's reviews. The first of these commentaries was by mainstream novelist Gore Vidal, writing in the July 18 issue of **The New York Review of Books.**

"The American University has come into the terrible own. Departments of English now produce by what appears to be parthogenesis novels intended only for the classroom . . . Occasionally a university novel (or U-novel) will be read by the general (and dwindling) public for the novel; and sometimes a novel written for that same public (P-novel) will be absorbed into Acacemie, but more and more the division between the two realms grows . . ."

These sentiments were echoed by science fiction editor and reviewer Richard Geis in a column in the December issue of **Worlds of If.**

"Intellectual s-f is . . a role for the writer to play. Writing Literature and playing at being an intellectual is much more satisfying to the ego than Hack Writer is. And after having been to college and having been exposed to all them English Lit courses and such, no self-respecting young writer nowadays is going to dig . . . writing Commercial Fiction."

Amen, Mr's Vidal and Geis. For those of you who want to drop the pretense of being literary scholars and relax over vacation with a good book, here are two fine novels just reissued that fill the bill—Arthur Clarke's **A Fall Of Moondust** and Larry Niven's **Ringworld.**

A Fall of Moondust was first published in 1961, and since, then science has caught up with and disproved Clarke's belief in "dust seas" on the moon. But ignore that and allow one of the English language's finest storytellers to thrill you with a tale of high adventure in the 21st century.

The novel opens with a tourist bus "sailing" one of the moon's dust seas. Clarke vividly describes the sights and sensations of the trip in an excellent piece of writing. However the exciting tourist trip is interrupted by an eruption of gas that traps the bus thirty feet below the surface of the moon. A desperate search begins to locate the bus before its supply of oxygen runs out, and the plot takes off from there.

Clarke mixes an uncanny ability to predict technological advances, with flawless plotting and solid characterization. The reader is on the edge of his seat from beginning to end as this suspensful drama unwinds. Clarke is not preaching anything in this novel; instead, his aim is to entertain the reader, and he accomplishes this with a polished ease. This novel would make a fine movie—Hollywood, take note.

Another recent re-issue of Larry Niven's 1970 Hugo and Nebula Award winning novel, **Ringworld.** Again, this is a book that is simply fun to read. **Ringworld** will never be taught in an English Lit course, and Niven should be grateful for that. And we should be grateful for Niven's exceptional novel.

The novel centers around four characters of the distant future—Louis Wu, a two-hundred year old human with proven survival value; Nessus, a Pearson's puppeteer, member of an alien race whose culture is based on cowardice; Speaker-To-Animals, a three hundred pound, cat-like alien, one of the most savage life-forms in the galaxy; and Teela Brown, a wide-eyed young girl with all the luck in the world.

This unlikely troup is chosen to explore the Ringworld, a vast artificial planet whose powerful builders may or may not have fallen into savagery. Niven skillfully mixes humor and high adventure in one of the most readable novels I have ever encountered. Add a dash of scientific speculation (for example, Niven postulates luck as a psychic power);, and the novel becomes an exceptional work of science fiction. And no obscure literary references or meaningless psychological dramas. What a relief.

All of this is not to say that philosophy, psychology, etc. does not have a place in fiction. Franz Kafka's **The Metamorphosis** and Ursula

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BET YOUR LIFE

1. When the Marx Brothers first started their stage careers, how many were there?
A) 3
B) 4
C) 5

2. What was the name of the first Marx Bros. comedy hit movie?
A) A Day at the Races
B) The Cocoanuts
C) Go West

3. In what city were the Marx Bros. born?
A) Boston
B) New York City
C) Bayonne

4. What was the movie Horse Feathers about?
A) College and college football
B) Horse races at aqueduct
C) An opera

5. In what movie did Groucho play Rufus T. Firefly?
A) Animal Crackers
B) Duck Soup
C) A Night at the Opera

6. What female star usually co-starred with the Marx Bros.?
A) Margret Dumont
B) Lucille Ball
C) Jean Stapleton

7. In Animal Crackers, who played the part of Signor Emanual Ravelli?
A) Harpo
B) Zeppo
C) Chico

8. In what movie did the famous Viaduct routine take place between Groucho and Chico?
A) A Night in Casablanca
B) The Cocoanuts
C) Room Service

9. What was the name of the last movie in which The Marx Brothers appeared as a team?
A) Go West
B) The Big Store
C) Love Happy

10. How many of the Marx Bros. are still alive?
A) 1
B) 2
C) 3

BY T.V.

THE COCOANUTS

MONKEY BUSINESS

HORSE FEATHERS

DUCK SOUP

Humor:

How To Be A Rock Star In One Easy Lesson

by Gary W. Lundberg
Special to the FULCRUM

I am surprised to find so much musical talent in people who feel that they could never make it playing professional guitar. With the proper equipment, repertoire, and stage antics anyone with the drive to make a living from their music could easily do so. Herin are the facts that could make YOU a Rock Superstar.

First of all, you need professional equipment. Your amplification equipment should be awesome in both size and power. The more unwieldy and loud an amplifier is the better. You should look for an amp with the thought in mind that if you deafen the crowd they won't hear you mistakes. The size should dwarf an elephant and the power output should drain the Niagra-Mohawk power company. One easy way to pick out an amp is to take it home and try it. A fair amp, after ten minutes, will bring a barrage of phone calls from the neighbors. A good amp will bring the Broome County Sherrifs department, and an excellent amp will level three city blocks and register five on the Richter scale. You will definitely need a good microphone. The best mikes on the market will reduce your voice to mere gibberish, a very desirable quality. The mike should be sensitive enough to pick up a fly's buzz at twenty feet and project it with the same velocity as a Boeing 707 at take-off. Your guitar should be a piece of nostalgia, such as you might find in the outhouse behind Uncle Tom's cabin. The most desirable guitars are untunable and well broken in (or up). The fingerboard and height of the strings, as well as the type of strings are totally disregarded as the fuzz box, mu-tron, sustain unit, echo unit, wah-wah pedal, volume pedal, overdrive pedal, and other effects will make every note sound the same anyway. Most of the equipment listed here may be bought at your local music store.

Having purchased your equipment, you will undoubtably want to create music that will suit the audience you play for. One of the easiest methods known is to play the first job with no knowledge of musical theory. This allows you more freedom to express yourself. You will create a sound that will leave your audience stupified, as most rock audiences are anyway. As the evening progresses you will find yourself encompassed in feedback techniques (the process in which the sine wave emitted by the string becomes regenerative between the pickup and the amplifier, producing a squeal that is similar to two chalk-boards mating) and the use of the extra foot pedals and effects. Of course you have actually made no music, but the audience will overlook this fact because of the awesome feeling of power you have put down. Now all of your music can sound the same, and in fact be the same, and the record buying public will call it the (fill in your name) style. You can, of course, change the words to your songs, or supplement them with an occasional "yeah", or "baby", or "I can FEEL it!!", or any of the other things that the audience has a tendency to digest. Now that you have a repertoire it necessary to have a stage show, or tour, to promote your recordings.

Oscar Mayer once said, "All the world loves a hotdog." P.T. Barnum once said "A fool is born every second." These quotes surely apply to guitar playing in the stage show. The more of a hotdog you are the more the fools in the audience "eat you up". The

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Children's Theater Produces Witches, Wizards . . . And Fun

Excitement is found in the Children's Theater's magic kingdom.

by Vicki Bergmann
FULCRUM Staff Writer

About once each week Broome sends its own delegation of evil witches, good princesses and wizards out into the world of children. The Broome Players, under the supervision of Angelo Zuccolo, visits area elementary schools and presents a show especially for young children. It's called "Puppy Love" and is designed to introduce youngsters to the joys of live theatre.

The short play is complete with a magic kingdom, spells and potions and a wicked witch who hates everybody—especially kids! Good, of course, triumphs over Evil in a story about a princess who wants a puppy dog of her very own. The children, who are usually very receptive to the live entertainment, are urged to participated in songs, applause and encouragement for the characters. They are treated at the end with lollipops from the cast. Performing for the children is a good exercise for the actors themselves. Much of the play is improvisional or ad-lib. It involves exaggerated motions, a certain amount of time, and complete openess to the children. Relaxation and informality is important to keep the children's interest and offers a great opportunity for the inexperienced actors to learn to be comfortable on stage.

Apart from the benefits for actors and children it is also a public service, good publicity for the school, and a chance for Broome students to be involved in their community. To the Broome Players—Bravo!

After the performance, children talk with the players.

Life-Style:

Different Students Have Different Pastimes

Different students at BCC find different ways to have fun. For some its a friendly game of football. Others enjoy reading in the sun. And some . . .

Santa Claus Is Coming to Town

by Tony Valenta

This year, Santa Claus has designated me as his representative for delivering his gifts for Broome Community College. I am happy to say that all my favorite friends are on his list. So here's what all my friends will find in their stockings on Christmas day.

To Bruce MacGregor—A set of his and hers bathrooms for the Union Building.

To Dr. Sigmund Smith—A course in Labor Relations taught by George Meany, and Larry Maier in his Christmas Stocking.

To Duane Whittaker—A new Teachers Contract, signed sealed and retroactive.

To Edwin Crawford—The election of Steve Natale, Carl Brunner, George Higginbottom, Duane Whittaker, Larry Maier, and Bruce MacGregor to the County Legislature.

To Karl Svatek—The Editorship of the Sun Bulletin

To Dick Baldwin—The New York Knicks

To Rick Goldman—An autographed copy of the Watergate Story by Richard M. Nixon

To Francis Norton—A new, No sliding, No drooping, Hairpiece, and a Sigmund Smith puppet.

To the members of the Faculty—A free dinner compliments of the Broome County Legislature on the condition the county receives change back from their dollar.

To the students—A new vending machine featuring registration outlines for the fall 75-76 school year.

1974 Nebula Awards of the Science Fiction Writers of America

BEST NOVEL: Rendezvous with Rama, Arthur C. Clarke; BEST NOVELLA: "The Death of Dr. Island," Gene Wolfe; BEST NOVELETTE: "Of Mist, and Grass, and Sand," Vonda McIntyre; BEST SHORT STORY: "Love Is The Plan, The Plan Is Death," James Tiptree DRAMATIC PRESENTATION: "Soylent Green."

1974 Hugo Awards of the World Science Fiction Convention.

BEST NOVEL: Rendezvous with Rama, Arthur C. Clarke; BEST NOVELLA: "The Girl Who Was Plugged In," James Tiptree; BEST NOVELETTE: "The Deathbird," Harlan Ellison; BEST SHORT STORY: "The Ones Who Walk Away From Omelas," Ursula LeGuin; DRAMATIC PRESENTATION: "Sleeper."

1974 John W. Campbell Memorial Awards

BEST NOVEL: Rendezvous with Rama, Arthur C. Clarke, tie Malevil, Robert Merle; BEST NEW WRITER: Spider Robinson tie Lisa Tuttle

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Elton John Encores

In four frenetic years, Elton John has risen from obscurity to become a multi-millionaire rock star whose records have sold in excess of six million. This phenomenon of the music industry will be the subject of a documentary, "Elton John and Bernie Taupin Say Goodbye Norma Jean and Other Things . . .," which airs on the ABC Television Network as a "Wide World: Special," **FRIDAY, DEC. 13** (11:30p.m.-1:00 a.m., EDT).

Elton John is one of the newer stars of the pop world. His records are guaranteed to hit the top twenty record charts even before they are released. As a character, Elton is fascinating—an introvert with an extrovert public image. In "Elton John and Bernie Taupin Say Goodbye Norma Jean and Other Things . . .," filmmaker Bryan Forbes' documentary explores the sensationally successful young man, and reveals that his private life has little in common with the public figure.

The documentary, which was previously seen May 17, 1974, follows Elton abroad and at home: to America for his hysteria-evoking performance at the Hollywood Bowl; to the legendary French chateau in Heronville where top pop stars go to record their records; and to "Hercules," his expensive home (with three Rolls-Royces in the garage) in Virginia Water, Surrey.

Bryan Forbes, the film's producer and director, interviews Elton at his home, and Elton talks about his childhood, his art collection, his glasses, his money and his legendary generosity. Elton's accompanists (Nigel Olson, Davey Johnstone, and Dee Murray); Elton's mother; John Reid, Elton's manager; Gus Dudgeon, Elton's record producer; and his music publishers, Dick and Steve James, all talk about Elton in the film.

Elton's method of working is explained by Bernie Taupin, and it is an unusual one. Bernie gets a telephone call from his partner saying it's time for a new lyric. Bernie goes upstairs and concentrates on the task. He then sends the lyrics to Elton, who sets one to music in approximately a half-hour. "There is no need for us to meet," says Bernie. "I am sure the exercise would be a disaster if we did meet while trying to compose."

The Elton John-Bernie Taupin compositions heard on the special are "Funeral for a Friend," "Saturday Night's Alright for Fighting," "Yellow Brick Road," "Harmony", "All the Girls Love Alice," "Ballad of Danny Bailey," and "Candle in the Wind," from his album, "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road" (currently one of the top ten selling albums in America for over six months;, which was released in October, 1973. He sings "Daniel," and "Crocodile Rock," from his LP, "Don't Shoot Me, I'm Only the Piano Player" (over a year and a half on the top 100 selling PL charts), which was released in January, 1973. He sings the classic, "Rocket Man," from the album, "Honky Chateau."

The title of the special comes from the song, "Candle in the Wind," which is a tribute to the late Marilyn Monroe (the first line of the song begins, "Goodbye Norma Jean. ."), and which closes the show. The documentary builds up the story of Elton's career over the four years since he first became a hit. It also probes deeply into the character of the man. It is a fascinating portrait of a remarkable individual.

YOU BET YOUR LIFE

ANSWERS

1) C 3) B 5) B 7) C 9) C

2) B 4) A 6) A 8) B 10) C

YOUR SCORE

8-10 An excellent Marx Brothers fan
5-7 Better start watching the reruns
1-4 You are a W.C. Fields fan

Maier's Reaction To Dismissal

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chairman, Maier added.

Evaluations of new and part time faculty members, and of faculty members coming up for tenure, won't get done now Maier declared. In January, job placement interviews and a review of the department's accredation come up Maier said. Both these are very important to the future of Chem. Tech. students at BCC, Maier commented, and the lack of a department chairman will be disruptive of both processes.

Maier said he feels that the entire Chemical Technology department is behind him. He added that if any specific charges are made, those in the department may have to re-evaluate their positions. "There is no evidence yet," Maier asserted.

Maier said that the proper procedures necessary for such an action as removing a department chairman were not observed in his case. "The process was definitely violated," Maier declared. He added that he did not feel he could discuss at this time any action he might take regarding his removal.

Goldman Replies To Charges

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I will conclude by saying, "I will not resign". At various Senate Meetings, I have opened the floor for criticisms, and most of the time, I have received none. Today, (December 3, 1974) is your chance, speak out! Lets clear the air once and for all, and then lets get back to the relevant issues that effect us, the students of Broome Community College.

Thank-You,
Rick S. Goldman
Student Senate
President

Rock Stardom Made Easy

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success of a show may be measured by energy wasted, equipment busted, and money blown (by the audience). At ten thousand dollars a show you are expected to dress garishly, wear makeup, smash equipment, swear, gyrate, and generally do everything a complete moron wouldn't think of doing. You might try twirling, shaking, throwing, eating, and beating your guitar. It is advisable to overload, blow-up, smash, crash, and pee on your amplifier. For added effect try spitting, hissing, kissing, and making love to your microphone. Before each song remind the audience that this song is from your first, or second album, and that the fire-marshall wants the aisles clear. After each number say "Thank you" or "I love you" or anything that the vain audience will suck up.

If you want to become a legendary rock star, it is advisable that you follow these steps, as they have worked for so many groups on the rock scene today.

Sci-Fi Reviewed

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Le Guin's **The Dispossessed** are both fine examples of novels that communicate, respectively, psychological crisis and political philosophy. Yet by-in-large, what is being taught in English courses and written by literary bigwigs today is senseless drivel. Look for a moment at Thomas Pynchon's recent atrocity. **Gravity's Rainbow.** This has to rank as one of the worst novels ever written. Yet those same English teachers and scholars who shove Camus and Sartre down your throat in freshman Lit courses, voted this bomb the National Book Award. Give me Clarke, or Agatha Christie, or Zane Grey, or yes, even Mickey Spillane any day.

I'm sorry to have bored you with the above deviation. Hopefully in the future I'll be able to stick to reviewing the best (or most controversial) fiction and non-fiction paperbacks of the day. But just before writing this, I realized I have to take 15 more weeks of English next term. Pass the Pepto-Bismol. Merry Christmas.

Alumni Active

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year. Just call our office, 772-5002 (before noon), for info about other shows. We are also checking into discount group-travel plans and an economic plan for cut-rate prices on appliances, furniture and many other items.

To assist the college community during the past year, we conbributed approximately $8,000 to various college activities, and we hope to be able to continue with this type of monetary support this year.

One of our projects to assist the community has been to donate four "mini" courses to be auctioned off as part of Channel 46's Auction 46. Board members also volunteered their time of this very worthwhile project.

As you can see, your Board of Directors has been considerably active while merely opening the door to a year of many projects and efforts for all of us in the Alumni Association.

—Francis L. Battisti '68, President, BCC Alumni Association

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Man's Interference With Nature Cited

by Jeff Stansbury and Edward Flattau From "Conservation News"

Florida has lost the battle to save its multimillion-dollar freshwater sports fishing industry from destruction.

That is the view of Dr. Walter R. Courtenay, a zoology professor at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Fla. Dr. Courtenay's assessment carries weight because he is heading a federal-and state-funded study to determine what impact the introduction of exotic fishes into the lakes and canals of southeast Florida has had on native species.

"By the end of the century, there will be very few native fish left in the fresh waters of southeast Florida," he declares. "There is just no way we can prevent the exotics from taking over."

The three primary troublemakers in this story are the black acara, the walking catfish and the blue tilapia. About seven inches long and resembling a sunfish, the black acara were shipped to aquariums in this country from South America. Some of the fish were released into Florida's waterways by thoughtless owners and then proceeded to multiply at a prolific rate. Unlike our native species, black acara spawn all year round and protect their young against predators. The 50 percent increase in their population has consequently meant less food and space for our indigenous sunfish, blue gills, and bass.

In 1974, some walking catfish escaped from a tropical fish farm north of St. Lauderdale. Today, they are plentiful in the Lake Okeechobee area and are expected to spread to the Everglades in the next few years. When there is a drought, the walking catfish become extremely aggressive, leave dried-up ponds, and crawl overland to larger bodies of fresh water where they prey heavily on native game fishes.

The Florida Fish and Game Commission imported the blue tilapia in 1961 on an experimental basis to eat aquatic plants which were choking some of the state's freshwater channels. A year later, several fishermen broke into an experimental station east of Tampa and released the tilapias into nearby lakes. In those lakes today 90 percent of the fish are blue tilapias.

These alien prolific breeders who have no formidable natural enemies when full grown are upsetting the balance of nature in their respective areas of the state.

Authorities are helpless because the alien fish reproduce so rapidly. To destroy the creatures would mean poisoning all marine life in a particular region. An alien predator introduced into the environment to check exotic population growth is likely to create more problems than it solves (it usually kills native species as well).

Tropical invaders theoretically cannot wipe out native species because the latter normally can withstand colder temperatures and occupy a larger part of the region. But even here there is an atfish have been spotted migrating into northern Florida. This poses the danger that through natural selection a strain of the fish might develop resistance to colder weather.

The three fish we have been discussing are not the only destructive species which have entered the United States through man's indiscretion, shortsightedness and neglect. In Florida, for example a population of voracious parakeets is rapidly expanding toward the citrus belt. A deadly piranha fish was found by a policeman in a west Miami pond more than a year ago, presumably tossed there by some misguided pet owner. Since then, other sightings of this flesh-eating menace have been reported in west Miami canals. Courtenay says if the fish were to take hold, they would threaten all living things coming in contact with the state's fresh water and might necessitate poisoning an entire canal system.

The Interior Department has roused itself to propose regulations which would prohibit the importation of exotic species with the exception of "low risk" creatures, most of which are laboratory animals. These regulations, however, won't take effect for several months, and they exempt Freshwater fish, a large number considering the unforseeable adverse consequences that have occurred in the past.

Meanwhile, exotics are reducing the diversity of natural fauna, thereby making our entire ecosystem more vulnerable to disease and other serious disturbances.

When will man realize that he is better off being in harmony with nature than superimposing his own infrastructure which starts something he cannot finish?

Tidal Theory

Ocean water moves around the Earth in response to the gravitational pull of the moon. High tide follows low by half a lunar day — 12 hours, 25 minutes.

Carey Supports Education

by William F. Claire, SUNY Washington Report

U.S. Representative Hugh L. Carey, the Governor-Elect of New York, has had a long and consistent record of support in the U.S. Congress on matters relating to higher education.

For ten years, the Brooklyn born Congressman served on the House Education and Labor Committee; the key House Committee that authorizes all legislation affecting both elementary and secondary legislation, as well as post-secondary education. In 1970, however, Congressman Carey switched from the Education and Labor Committee to join the prestigious Ways and Means Committee in the House. But his interest in education did not diminish.

During and subsequent to his service on the Education and Labor Committee, Carey was centrally involved in innumerable bills, many of which are now laws of the land. Among bills that Carey co-sponsored were the original Higher Education Act of 1965, and subsequent admendments to that Act the International Education Act of 1966, the Library and Construction Act of 1966, and the various legislative acts continuing support for National Endowment for the Humanities and the National Endowment for the Arts.

He has been particularly interested in landmark legislation designed to assist the handicapped, including the establishment of a National Technical Institute for the Deaf that was eventually located in Rochester, New York. He was the author of the expansion of fellowship programs for state education departments and professional associations to help them in developing recruiting programs for handicapped children.

Among his other interests, and this includes specific legislative support in behalf of, are such areas as bi-lingual education, child health and nutrition, day care programs, vocational education, health education, and others. Indeed, in Washington, Congressman Carey has been described as an "absolute champion" of programs that assist in the educational process, and as a person with "humane understanding" for the underprivileged.

Congressman Carey has been particularly close to St. John's College, where he attended as an undergraduate, and where he received a J.S.D. from their Law School. He has also been a member of their Board of Trustees.

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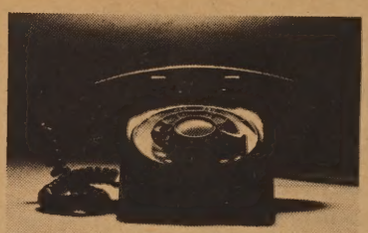

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VETERANS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Student Union

3:00 P.M.

Christmas Program WBNG T.V.

On December 25 from 5:30-6:00, WBNG T.V.—Channel 12 will present its annual Christmas program featuring Broome Community College's fifty-five voice Choir.

"MESSIAH"

On Sunday, December 15 the combined choirs of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Central United Methodist Church, and Broome Community College will present G.H. Handel's "Messiah" conducted by R. Bruce MacGregor. The program will take place at the Central United Methodist Church, Endicott at 3 p.m. Free will offering.

Basketball Team Improves

Clayton Ellis
FULCRUM Sports Editor

The Hornets' season record now stands at 3 wins, 2 losses, after a fine showing in the annual Turkey Trot and an overtime loss at the hands of Auburn CC. Results of the Jefferson and Canton Tech games were not available by publication time.

Broome opened the season with a strong showing against Sullivan CC and followed with a 65-58 loss to Manhattan CC in the Turkey Trot opener. The offense was literally non-existent in the Manhattan game, as BCC blew a seven point halftime lead.

Friday, November 29 was Trot Night No. 2 and the Hornets looked like a new team as they defeated North Country CC 73-68.

Broome led by four at its' half and held on in the stretch to win. Sonny Gooden led the way on offense and defense scoring 19, and Larry Burke played an impressive game, scoring 15 points.

The momentum continued on Saturday as Broome romped Jackson (Michigan) CC 81-61. Larry Lane led all scorers with 20 points, as the Hornets built on an 8 point halftime lead.

The Hornets travel to Alfred Tech next Tuesday, and following a long break travel to Colgate to play the Colgate frosh.

Following these two contests the schedule goes as follows:

Fri., Jan. 10 at New York City CC

Sat., Jan 11 at Westchester

Tues., Jan 14 at Robert Morris

Thurs., Jan 16 at Corning

After the long road trip Broome returns home on January 18 to take on Erie North Community College.

The Broome offense must continue to improve behind Gooden and playmaker Pat Dugan, and the defensive play should tighten up. Defensive play has been exemplified by captain Soony Gooden and continuation of this style will help the Hornets immensely.

The long road trip could be trying, but Gooden expressed that most players enjoy travelling. if all goes well on the road, all should go well for the remainder of the season.

BROOME CC (84)

Player, pos.	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Groden, f	7-15	0-0	3	14
Lane, f	12-23	2-2	4	26
Burke, C	1-7	0-0	2	2
Streety	3-9	0-3	3	6
Savage, g	6-12	0-1	4	12
Tatham	0-0	0-0	1	0
Dugan, g	8-12	4-4	5	20
McCarthy	2-4	0-0	1	4
TOTALS	39-82	6-10	23	84

AUBURN CC (58)

	FT	FT	PF	PTS.
Skomsky, f	6-12	1-3	2	13
Crank, f	4-15	1-2	0	9
Cromier	4-6	1-2	3	9
Jackson, C	9-24	2-2	3	20
Bell, g	7-24	8-12	4	22
Merriman, g	6-13	1-2	3	13
Davis	1-4	0-0	1	2
TOTALS	37-98	14-23	16	88
AUBURN CC	32	42	14	—88
BROOME CC	32	42	10	—84

Officials: Bob Felasco, Ken Krafft.

North Country (68) — Broome CC (73)

	G	F	P		G	F	P
Upshaw	6	0-0	12	Gooden	8	3-3	19
Wash'ton	7	3-3	17	Dugan	4	4-8	12
Wright	4	1-2	9	Savage	1	3-4	5
Jenkins	3	0-0	6	Hemenway	0	0-1	0
White	5	0-0	10	Lane	6	3-4	15
Lipscomb	1	0-0	2	McCarthy	1	0-1	2
Riley	6	0-0	12	Easley	0	0-2	0
				Burke	8	2-2	18
				Bar'chak	1	0-0	2
Totals	32	4-5	68	Totals	29	15-25	73

Halftime: Broome. 38-34
Officials: Felasco. Wilcox

Manhattan (65) — Broome CC (58)

	G	F	P		G	F	P
Branch	6	3-4	15	Gooden	9	2-2	20
Davis	10	7-10	27	Duyan	0	0-0	0
Foster	0	0-0	0	Savage	4	0-1	8
Feather'n	0	0-0	0	Henen'y	3	0-2	6
Graham	0	0-0	0	Streety	5	0-0	10
Hines	1	2-2	4	Lane	3	0-0	6
R.John'n	3	5-6	11	McCar'y	1	0-0	2
Pettus	4	0-0	8	Easley	3	0-0	6
				Stevens	0	0-0	0
Totals	24	17-22	65	Totals	28	2-5	58

Halftime Score: Broome 26-19.
Officials: Lalli and Halpin

JACKSON (61)

Player, Pos.	FG	FT	PF	Pts.
Brown, f	3-9	0-0	2	6
McCants	5-10	3-6	3	13
Reed, f	4-6	0-0	0	8
Glaspie	0-1	1-5	3	1
Cumberlander, c	4-12	1-1	0	9
Hsichwerdt, g	2-5	0-0	2	4
Smith	4-11	1-2	4	9
Lindsay, g	4-11	1-1	2	9
Tarnowski	0-0	0-0	0	0
McDonald	2	0-0	0	4
Totals	27-49	7-15	16	61

BROOME (81)

Player, Pos.	FG	FT	PF	Pts.
Gooden, f	5-13	0-0	3	10
Hemenway	0-0	0-0	1	0
Lane, f	10-17	0-1	0	20
McCarthy	2-4	0-0	1	4
Tatham	0-1	0-0	2	0
Burke, c	4-13	0-0	0	8
Easley	2-5	0-0	1	4
Savage, g	8-13	0-0	3	16
Streety	4-7	0-0	1	8
Barvinchak	2-2	1-2	0	5

Dugan, g 3-7 0-0 1 6
Stevens 0-1 0-0 0 0
Totals 40-83 1-6 13 81

Halftime: Broome 36-28.
Officials: Jerry Kudaqeski, Bill Hartshurn

Sonny Gooden, Turkey Trot MVP

SPORTS CORNER

COACH PAUL BROWN HAS A KNACK FOR FINDING GREAT RUNNING BACKS—DEVELOPED SUPERIOR ONES AT MASSILON, OHIO, AS HIGH SCHOOL COACH; LATER WITH THE CLEVELAND BROWNS, AND NOW WITH THE CINCINNATI BENGALS.

BROWN ALSO HAS COME UP WITH ONE OF PRO FOOTBALL'S MOST PROMISING QUARTERBACKS...

Ken Anderson

AN ACCURATE PASSER, ANDERSON CAN—AND WILL RUN FOR CRUCIAL YARDAGE. WITH SUCH TARGETS AS WIDE RECEIVER ISAAC CURTIS AND TIGHT END BOB TRUMPE, KEN PUTS PLENTY OF BITE IN THE BENGAL ATTACK.

State Finals At Grippen

The Binghamton Speed Skating Club will be holding the 1974 New York State Indoor Speed Skating Championships at Grippen Park on December 14 and 15, 1974.

Because of this event, Recreational Sessions normally held from 1:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. and 4:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on these dates will be cancelled. The Saturday night Recreational Session from 8:15 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. will be held.

This event is sanctioned by the Middle Atlantic Skating Association. Admission for this year's event will be $1.00 for adults and $.50 for children. The public is invited to attend.

In addition to this event, there will also be a continuing Skate Swap, during afternoon and evening Recreational Skating, and free skating clinics mornings from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. for pre-beginners and non-experienced skaters.

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Letter:

Basketball Imports Criticized

To the Editor:

Through the years, Broome Community College has been a basketball power. Players have been imported from New York City and Rochester to help BCC become a well-known basketball college. But I feel that local talent could do just as fine a job in making this school a more reputable team.

This year eight players were imported to BCC to play ball. Along with five returning lettermen, this leaves only one spot open for local freshman. This year two players were cut from the squad who made all-STAC last year in high school. It is almost impossible for Coach Baldwin to cut a player who is on scholarship for fear of grief from school administration for wasting money from the budget.

I think that if you ask anyone on campus, they would much rather see local players on the court who they can remember from high school. I think this is the reason for poor attendance in the last year.

Such imports like Frank Streety, Rick Williams and Lee Strubeck have really helped build a strong name for BCC but let's not forget the great local players like Gerry Newby, Larry Lobacz, and Don Heller who also added to Broome's success. Importing four or five players is a good idea, but after all, it is a community college and is for the local residents. Broome will definiately have a strong team this year like always, but if you go you won't see many familiar faces.

A Broome Student

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On the 21st, 22nd, and 23rd of February the Ski Club will be sponsoring two days of skiing at

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Two high school rings have been turned in: one from Johnson City High School and one from Binghamton North High School. Identify year and initials with Mrs. Snover in the Union if you think one might be yours.

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Personals:

Pansy, We have to stop meeting like this. Dave and Fido's Dad are getting suspicious. Dumb Broad.

Fido's Dad, Keep your cool and don't let them get you down. I am behind you all the way. P.E.W.

To Blue Hand. By the time you have your day the world will be destroyed. 303538.

To contract number 303538. Every Dog has its day, you better enjoy yours. The Bluehand.

Kimmer, Thanks for Lunch. I'll treat you next time. Rob.

"Merry Christmas" to all our friends in the Union. pepperoni, mushrooms, and anchovies.

Kim and Dave, Good Luck in candles, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! anchovies.

Bogie, Hope you had a nice trip! Rob.

Mr. Hickey, Merry Christmas you jolly Giant, The Icelander Letter Writer.

To my friend, anytime now you can take a wild leap into a comfortable lap. Your friend.

Rob-don't forget to come to your surprise party (the one you don't know about) Pepperoni and Mushrooms.

Rave Paul Westeast, Don't worry yet, there are still a couple of days left in Dear hunting. My Martians are still on alert so be good and keep your toes warm.

Maria Deck, Where is Jeff? Better start moving Goldy before its to late, New Years Eve is coming up quick. Brillo.

22G-ENO, I already know the kind of girl you are. 750 ENU. P.S. Congratulations, Can I visit you in the Maternity Ward? Eugarps, you are right. For people like you, I will have to go "Fuseless". Ma Hgirb. P.S. I will also have to learn how to glue better!

Dear Moods, you (Explentive Deleted) Sorry about the little ditty I wrote to you last time, it was a little harsh. See it just goes to show you I can treat you like a human being. Ace Crew. P.S. Keep up the good moods.

Chummy Chovy, New Years Eve is a long way off. It's a thought. The Blue Bug.

EB and SH, We want your bodies. RS and VP.

Thank you President Smith (proclaimed the messiah February 73) for bringing the faculty together.

Signed, Grateful

Tom T., Happy Birthday. from the gang.

RECYCLE THIS PAPER

AFA Players Desert, Playoffs in Jeopardy

The American Foosball Association (AFA) staggers into its first round of playoffs next week, after a hectic inaugural season.

The first playoff game pits the Scranton Midgets (formerly the Cleveland Chips, formerly the El Paso Elfs, formerly the Flagstaff Flags, formerly the Ypsilanti Yips) against the Goose Creek Geese. The Midgits had a 1 and 12 season record and qualified for the playoffs only after the Yuka Flats Devils declared bankruptcy.

The Geese posted a 13 and 0 regular season mark, including nine forfeits. Geese superstar Joe "Limp Wrists" Jackson is expected to play despite a severe hangover incurred during halftime of the Geese's last game.

The second game of the playoff double-header has the Hartford Aces versus the Binghamton Bell. The Aces reached the playoffs despite having seven of their players signed by the rival National Foosball Association at midseason.

The Bell players, affectionatly known to their fans as "Ding-Dongs", may refuse to play the Aces because of a dispute with the team's management. Captain of the Bells, Jose Freier, brought up from the Bell's Argentinian farm club early in the season, told this reporter, "We have not been payed in six weeks. We are the only active professional athletes on welfare."

Meanwhile, the National Foosball Association, formed by a group of secret investors rumored to include several Arab oilmen, the National Teachers Association, and the Irish Republican Army, has announced the signing of several AFA stars. These players include Jackson and Binghamton's Ed Warner, pro sport's only playing commissioner. Warner will not be able to play in the NFA until 1991 because of his 16 year contract with the Bells.

Momodou Sanko, former Foreign Relations-Business Commissioner of the AFA, broke from the league in midseason to form the NFA. Sonko officiated at a game in Bangul, Gambia, then flew to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, to discuss formation of the NFA.

NFA franchises will go to Paris, France, Trier, Germany Grettstadt, Germany, Mecca, Saudi Arabia, and Siagon, VietNam. Sanko indicated that North American teams may be located in Montreal, Prince Albert's Bay, and Endicott, N.Y.

A group of AFA all-stars will travel to Moscow, following the playoffs, for a series of exhibition games against the Soviet foosball national team. The Soviet team is coached by Ivan Vladimar Vladavostok Ivansovich Smith, who said in a phone interview, "Neyt Kreech richd vorblowstik. Eika nortonoik volgastik!"

Las Vegas oddsmaker Jimmy the Greek made Binghamton a slight favorite to take the AFA championship. Betting on the playoffs is reported heavy, and early indications make Goose Creek the better's choice.

In amatuer foosball news, the foosball marathon in Goose Greek's Franklin D. Roosevelt High School enters its eighth week today, breaking the previous record set by two drunks in Bangul. The nation's first collegiate foosball match, between Princeton and William and Mary, ended Princeton 8, William 4, and Mary 0.

Momodou Sanko, WFA founder, preparing to meet Arab oil millionares.

Letter:

Coping With Defeat Vital

To the Editor:

Is the idea of losing drilled into students so thoroughly that they would do anything to avoid it?

Perhaps in recent years the thought of losing has placed undue pressures on young athletes.

This losing ideas is creeping into team unity and destroying it. There are many individuals brought up on the old theory of taking a loss in stride. It is then that people place their efforts together and give even more of themselves in a game in hopes of winning.

But what about the new generation of Athletes. Are they taught in a way they fear having to cope with defeat?

Defeat should be in accordance with winning as far as the ability to accept it as a way of life for the Athlete.

Losing brings with its new concept, the shame of a teams defeat, broken unity, and at least one individual who doesn't admit to contributing to the loss.

Ten years ago, coaches acted as consoling agents in a loss, now they are pictured as slave owners beating their servants for breaking a plate.

Many athletes who participated on a team receive a nature of pride all their own when selected for a sport. It is this pride of playing along side of a select group and for a college or organization that is becoming the top achievement knocking out winning as number one.

Losing must be taught to the athlete like a new play. If you do not work a play right and a mistake ruins its end result, then it must be initiated again. Losing cannot be changed, but like a new play, harder effort must be achieved to reduce the mistakes which cause it's down fall.

In essence, every athlete must be able to cope with defeat and go on to become a better working part of the team. The athlete who cannot accept defeat is an immature person who could not possibly become a part of a team only a crack in its unity.

Mary Williams

Captain Praises Coach

To the Editor:

Broome Community College is proud to present its first Club Hockey Team. The team carries 20 players picked after tryouts at Elmira College about a month and a half ago.

The players who were picked to represent Broome CC wish to extend their most sincere thanks to head coach Mr. George Higginbottom. Coach Higginbottom, 1960 Olympic Team member is where the concept of the team began. Through his hard work and devotion to the game, our season got underway December 2nd. The Harvard graduate shows knowledgeable experience and class in coaching philosophy.

Hornet Hockey plays the majority of home games at Grippen Park Rink in West Endicott. Some games are possibly at the Broome County Veterans Arena in Binghamton. Schedules will be posted throughout the campus and on the varsity sport bulletin board.

Competition consists of five teams in the Senior Division of Grippen Park and various club teams of two and four year colleges such as: Morrisville CC, Cortland State, Syracuse University, Oneonta, Elmira College, Oswego State and Buffalo. Other games will be scheduled at a later date.

We strongly urge the participation of fans and hope to see you all at the rink. Admission is free so bring your "Big Mouth" buddy and long underwear.

The 1974-75 Broome Hornet Hockey team consists of the following players:

Head Coach - George Higginbottom
Captain-Jim Zweig (Def.)
1st Alternate Captain-Terry Roma (For.)
2nd Alternate Captain-John Butler (For.)
Jake Beaudette-(For.)
Jamie Potter (For.)
Mark Lippolis (For.)
Steve Franck (For.)
John Cline (For.)
Bob Mott (For.)
Bob Dennis (Def.)
Bennie De Lorenzo (Goalie)
Mark Zweig (Def.)
Bob Woodworth (For.)
Dave Snyder (For. Goalie)
Scott Clark (For.)
Eddie Prybylski (For.)
Joe Suwak (For.)
Tom Akulis (Def.)
Dave Michalak (For.)

Thank you very much,
Jim Zwieg
Captain of Broome Hornets Hockey

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Vets To Aid Grapplers

According to wrestling Coach Bill Beston, this year could be a big one for BCC's grapplers. At the quadrangular meet held on December 3rd, at Keystone Junior College, with Delhi Ag. and Tech. College and the University of Scranton J.V.s, Broome defeated both Keystone Junior College and the University of Scranton J.V.s but had to concede to Delhi Ag. and Tech. College.

With the return of three veterans and the addition of some ex-high school champs, Beston states, "I think we have a good team, personally." Among the veterans is Allen Schmidt who was rated third in the All Region Pre-Season Ratings by the New York News Service in his weight class of 126 lbs. Last year Schmidt won the Keystone Invitational wrestling for Broome.

The other two remaining vets are Co-Captain Mike Burczak and Cliff Herman. Burczak hails from Catholic Central and wrestles heavy weight. According to Coach Beston the heavy weight is working hard in practice to better his record. Beston also said that Burczak would make a possible contender in his class at the regionals. The other co-captain, Cliff Herman although injured early in the season is expected to make a good showing this season. The alumnus from Athens High wrestles in the 150 lbs. class.

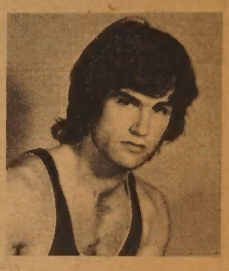
Broome has been blessed this year with a slew of outstanding freshman, many of whom are regionals champs from high school. A strong contestant in the 118 lbs. class is a freshman from Johnson City, Carson Armstrong who was outstanding in high school. In the same class with Armstrong is Dan Gual a freshman from Endicott who placed 1st in Section 4 STAC wrestling Tournament. Gaul however won't be able to play until the next semester as he attended SUNY at Binghamton earlier this year.

The next weight class (126 lbs.) could prove to be a competitive group as there are several very good candidates in this class. In this group is Don Carle, of Greene, who placed 2nd in the class 'B' Sectionals in high school. Business major Russel Jones, from Union Endicott could provide some inter team competition also. Gary McConnell of Lafayette was the Onondaga County Champ in his high school days. Last but not least in this weight class is the afore mentioned senior Allen Schmidt of Newark Valley. Rick Wade of Whitney Point is close behind the 126ers weighing in with the 134 class and was 1st in the Class 'A' section in the Susquenanago Tournament in high school.

In the middle weight classes is Kevin Hyde of Vestal who placed 2nd in the STAC Tournament and 1st in the Sectionals. Following Hyde is Bernie Newcomb of North high wrestling in the 150 range. Larry Northrup a 158 class wrestler from Newark Valley placed 3rd in the Susquenango Tournament. According to Coach Beston he has an unusual style and sticks to leg wrestling which might play a big part in how Broome fares in the uuuper weights. Tim McLain wrestles 167 and is followed by Fred Booth of North and Steve Foster of Vestal, both in the 177 weight class. Of Tim McLain Coach Beston said he is a leg wrestler and he expects a successful season from him. Beston also said he felt Booth or Foster could make the team. Chuck Relyea has returned to Broome as a freshman this year after being away from school for two years. Beston said his maturity would help the team.

Last but not least by any means are the heavy weights. Heavy weight Dan Baylor wrestled three years ago and is returning again for another year at Broome. The other heavy weight contender is Mike Burczak Co-Captain of the team and all around Public Relations man for the team. The Broome grapplers are very fortunate this year to have two very cute members on the team; Pat Barnum and Betty McAndrews the two female managers. They are a first this year and maybe they will help keep up the morale and spirit of the team as well.

Beston said he feels Broome has a good chance to go to the Regionals this year. When asked about this year's competition Beston replied that he felt that the Ag. and Tech. schools such ad Delhi, Morrisville, and Jamestown were the toughest and, he added "Broome too."



Al Schmidt Cliff Herman, and Co-captain Mike Burczak

Editorial

County Opts For New Ice

by Clayton Ellis
FULCRUM Sports Editor

The FULCRUM received a letter recently from Broome County Executive Edwin L. Crawford in regard toiproposed ice rink in the vicinity of this campus.

Being a hockey and skating fanatic, I rushed to make an appointment with Parks and Recreation Commissioner John F. Guinan, to discuss the proposals. The existing rink, Grippen Park, also came up in the discussion, and the usage of this facility alone necessitates another rink.

The whole concept began last year when cost figures were prepared, and then the figures were incorporated into the 1975 Broome County Budget. During budget deliberations the County Legislature, deleted the $20,000 line item for "design and specifications."

Mr. Crawford, shortly thereafter, vetoed the Legislators cut and it now remains in the budget.

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The proposed facility would be identical to Grippen Park, and would be operated on the same format. Hopefully, a site in the Upper Front Street area would take some of the strain off Grippen Park, which handled nearly 38,000 skaters in 1973. This figure is for 1973 only(Jan. 1-closing and opening-Dec. 31).

As of November "no funds are available at the State level to cost share" because the funds are committed. The cost would run in the neighborhood of $880,000.

However one other interesting point enters into this facility. Some "private corporation or individual is interested in building a rink north of the city". If this interest were to build in the near future, the county would then look for a site in the eastern portion of Broome County.

The total revenues from Grippen Park in 1973 were $33,914.96. These monies roughly cover operating costs, and when the facility was constructed it was decided recovery of 2-3 of operating cost would be considered successful.

In addition to Grippen Park, the county also maintains ice surfaces at several county parks.

The growing interest in skating, the figures indicated herin and the need for future recreational facilities all make a new rink necessary.

Hopefully the county ,at all levels, will continue to move on this project, for the good of the public. Certainly some will object, but someone always objects to everything. We, the citizens of this county need another ice rink and we need it soon.

Winter Carnival at Pines

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Spikers Procure Playoff Spot

by Mary Williams
FULCRUM Sports Writer

The Women's Varsity Volleyball Team sporting a 10-2 win-loss record has received an at-large Berth in the 1974 Volleyball Nationals.

Catonsville, Maryland will be the setting with an expected 32 teams and 11 at large Berth teams filling out the tournament.

All regionl champion teams receive an automatic bid to the nationals. This poses a problem since the Regionals are to be held December 11th and the Nationals are on the 12th. All teams must be in Maryland on the 11th for the Nationals. Broome CC coach Mrs. Nancy Rossiter sent an application for the bid and was notified on December 3 of its acceptance.

The women will leave at noon on December 11 and if all goes well, return December 16. The Tournament is on a double elimination schedule.

With the talent of this year's team, Broome will fair relatively well at the Nationals.

The team consists of Denise Gervais and Pat Barnum co-captains, Debbie Reynolds, Mary Williams, Deb Bosket, Linda Stevens, Terri Shaner, Ruth Covert, Manager, Robin Kunkle and coach, Nancy Rossiter.

This is the first year for the Nationals in Women's Volleyball and Broome will make it a year they'll never forget, "A first for Broome and a first for women's volleyball."

Broome Spikers are all smiles as they look forward to Nationals

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